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WARNS BRITAIN OF WEAKNESS FIGHTING AIRCRAFT STILL INADEQUATE CHURCHILL INDICATES GERMAN SUPERIORITY

London, Mar. 19.
Declaring that the British Air Defence programme was entirely inadequate, Mr. Winston Churchill to-day caused a sensation in the House of Commons when he warned that the British Air Force had been allowed to stand inferior in strength to that of Germany's.
The country was faced with something very like the possibility of a resumption of the War which ended in 1918, he challenged.
Speaking for the Government, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, admitted that the political situation was most anxious, but asserted that the Government was determined to see that no stone was left unturned for the adequate defence of the country and the Empire.

The feature of the debate on the Air Estimates was Mr. Winston Churchill's address.

He bluntly asserted that, last November, Great Britain and Germany were virtually of equal air strength, but insisted that since then the British position had materially worsened relatively.

Germany, he declared, now possessed a minimum of six hundred first line combat aircraft. It was possible, he said, that the addition to Germany's mighty fleet of military aeroplanes during 1935-36 would total 1,600 machines.

In this light, he charged, the British programme of construction was entirely inadequate.

PERIOD OF PERIL

"We have entered into a period of gravest peril and are faced with something very like the possibility of a resumption of the war which ended in 1918," Mr. Churchill cried.

However, he still hoped and believed that the danger of armed conflict in Europe might be averted.

Replying for the Government, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, said that according to the Government's latest information he had every reason to think that Great Britain was still stronger than Germany in the air.

He admitted that the situation had deteriorated to a certain extent since last November, because there had been a greater acceleration of Germany's manufacture of aircraft. Nevertheless, he considered that at the end of the year Britain would still have a British programme of defensive over the German air forces.

READY FOR EMERGENCY

Sir Philip emphasised that the British programme of defensive construction was capable of increase or decrease as emergencies required.

The Government had not abandoned the hope of limitation of armaments by general agreement, and did not consider that expansion or acceleration of aircraft construction was rendered finally necessary.

The situation was admittedly most anxious, he stated, and the Government was determined to see that no stone was left unturned when it came to planning for the adequate defence of the country and the Empire.—*Reuter.*

PROTECTING GUILDER

HOLLAND'S GREAT ECONOMIES

The Hague, March 19.
A Government Bill has been introduced, which provides for economies of £3,500,000 to protect the guilder, in view of the tense European situation, following the resignation of the Belgian Cabinet.—*Reuter.*

DEFENCE AGAINST AIR RAIDS

BRITAIN TAKES PRECAUTIONS

BERLIN TESTS STRENGTH

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 19.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, to-day told the House of Commons that Great Britain had already taken steps to defend herself against possible air raids in the future.

A little later, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, presented to the House the huge Air Defence estimates.

The estimates provide for a programme envisaging an increase of the fighting machines of the R.A.F. to a total of 1,460 by 1938.—*United Press.*

BERLIN'S DEFENCES

Berlin, Mar. 19.

Berlin to-day saw a display of German air strength.

Fifteen giant bombers and thirty-five powerfully-motored pursuit planes roared over the city in formation, dived and executed in a striking series of manoeuvres, preparatory to to-night's air defence drills.—*United Press.*

DANGER TO PEACE

London, March 19.

The Air Estimates for 1935, totalling £23,851,100 gross, and a small supplementary estimate of £200,000 for the current year, were introduced in the House of Commons to-day by the Under-Secretary of State for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon.

He said that in the cause of peace the British Government had postponed for ten years past what had been declared as a minimum programme of air defence for the United Kingdom.

British weakness in the air was a danger to world peace, as well as to Britain herself, and the Air Force could not be allowed to remain fifth among the Air Powers in terms of first-line strength.

At the same time, Sir Philip Sassoon refuted exaggerated accounts of the weakness of the British air forces and pointed out that only France and Russia possessed a substantially greater first-line strength. The United States and Italy had only a small margin of superiority in numbers of aircraft, and they had actually (Continued on Page 7.)

TANGLED CRISIS IN EUROPE

GERMANY ANGERED BY BRITAIN

FRANCE ALSO AFFRONTED

(Special to "Telegraph")

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London, March 19.

The European crisis has taken a grave turn, due to the fact that Great Britain and Germany, as well as France and Britain, have apparently disagreed on vital issues.

Great Britain and Germany, in the first place, took divergent views as to the basis upon which Sir John Simon, the British Foreign Minister, and Herr Hitler, the German leader, would negotiate for the legalisation of German re-armament.

Secondly, the French people bitterly criticised Great Britain's procedure in the matter of approach to the German re-armament question. France has drafted a strong protest on Germany's conscription move, which will be despatched to Berlin after the Cabinet meeting to-morrow.

Thirdly, Sir John Simon is reported to have refused the French request to visit Paris before he visits Berlin; and fourthly, France is planning to send M. Laval her Foreign Minister, to Moscow, next week, in an effort to ally Russia to her cause in the event of a clash with Germany.

GERMANY ANGERED

The German satisfaction at the reception given to their announcement of conscription has turned to anger since it has been realised that Britain is not ready to negotiate on the basis that re-armament is already an accomplished fact, but rather on the basis of the hated Treaty of Versailles.

This attitude was clearly specified in yesterday's British note. It is indicated, however, that Germany will re-iterate to Sir John Simon, when he visits Berlin, that re-armament is a fact and that the Versailles Treaty cannot be the starting point for negotiations.—*United Press.*

U. S. HAS NO PLAN

Washington, Mar. 19.

It is learned authoritatively that President Roosevelt has no plans for immediate action in Europe. It is understood that he feels that the situation should be studied very carefully. Meanwhile, he believes, tension has been eased due to the belief that the crisis has been diminished, at least temporarily, due to the British delegation's plan to visit Berlin on Sunday.

This will give the European chancellors nearly a week in which to discuss the situation and will avoid hurry and confusion which might result in panic.

Time will also be afforded France to mend her fences through an attempt to strengthen her relations with the Balkan nations, the Little Entente, and to arrive at an understanding with Russia.—*United Press.*

DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY

London, Mar. 19.

The situation created by the German Government's announcement of last Saturday of their intention to introduce conscription, and by subsequent developments, is likely to be fully discussed in the course of a debate on foreign affairs which has been arranged for Thursday in the House of Commons.

Meanwhile, consultation between the British, French and Italian Governments continues through diplomatic channels. Sir John Simon received a visit from the French Ambassador, M. Corbin, this morning and again in the afternoon. He also saw the Italian Ambassador, Signor Grandi, and Sir George Clerk, British Ambassador at Paris, who is temporarily in London, while Mr. Eden received a call from the Russian Ambassador, M. Malysky.—*British Wireless.*



Mr. Winston Churchill, who declares that Britain is aerially weaker than Germany.

Expansion Of Airways

BRITAIN'S SERVICE DEVELOPING

CO-OPERATION IN EMPIRE

London, Mar. 19.

In introducing the Air Estimates in the House of Commons, Sir Philip Sassoon, dealing with civil aviation, paid a tribute to the work of the Imperial Airways in 1934. The weight of some six million letters sent by air from Britain last year was 122 tons, an increase of 43 per cent. on the total for 1933.

In consequence the recent ten-year agreements with Italy and the provisional understanding which had been reached with France, Imperial Airways planned soon to operate an inter-service through to Brindisi with small mail-carrying aircraft. A full service by large aircraft would be brought into operation when the Company's fleet had been augmented to make up for the heavy demands caused by recent duplication of Empire Services.

The Air Ministry, the Post Office and Imperial Airways were continuing to co-operate on a long-term policy aiming at quicker and more frequent services and the carriage of all first-class Empire mails by air without surcharge. The scheme would be in collaboration with the Dominions, India and the Colonies and on the provision of two million pounds of fresh capital to extend the Imperial Airways fleet.

Sir Philip stated that the Air Ministry were offering a £25,000 prize for the best medium-size commercial aeroplane produced by a British firm, and were preparing to construct two experimental machines with which they might eventually try for the high and distance records. He expressed optimism in regard to the progress of private flying in Britain, and said there were more private pilot licences current in the United Kingdom, in proportion to the population, than in the United States.—*British Wireless.*

Soviet Arrests Ex-Czarists

PLOTTING ON BEHALF OF FOREIGN POWER

Moscow, March 19.

The police have rounded up and arrested over 1,000 Czarist officers, ex-noblemen and ex-officials in Leningrad. It was officially announced to-day.

The Government states that some of those seized will be charged with anti-Soviet activities on behalf of a foreign power, which is unnamed.

Others of those arrested have already been sent to the prison mines in Siberia.—*Reuter.*

SEVEN DIE IN DESERT AIR CRASH

FRENCH GOVERNOR AMONG VICTIMS

WRECKAGE FOUND

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Paris, March 19.

The Belgian Ministry for the Colonies has advised French officials that a Belgian Army plane in the Congo has found the wreckage of a plane near Mosanka, together with seven bodies.

The plane is said to be that of the Governor of French Equatorial Africa, missing last Friday but reported safe on Monday in despatches from Fort Lamy.

The Governor, M. Edouard Renard and five others, was on a tour of inspection when the plane ran into a tornado. Wireless messages from the machine said it had weathered the storm but was lost in fog. Last Friday a wide-spread search was organised, but was discontinued when reports from Fort Lamy said the machine had landed at Mimosango, on Monday.

It is now believed that these reports must have been foundationless, and that the plane actually crashed after the tornado had been passed and in attempting a forced landing in fog.—*United Press.*

New Clue In Murder Case

HEADLESS BODY DISCOVERED

POLICE STILL BAFFLED

London, March 19.

The possibility of a solution being found to the baffling "legs mystery" has been opened up by the discovery in the Grand Union Canal, near Brentford, of the trunk of a male body, minus the legs, head and one hand.

On February 25 a set of human legs was found in a paper parcel under the seat of a coach in London's Waterloo station, and police have long sought three men whose actions led authorities to suspect that they might be able to throw some light on the crime.

The trunk, discovered to-day, which had been in the water some time, was seen floating in the canal by children.

Police were informed and Criminal Investigation Department officers were rushed to the scene.

Brentford is on the line taken by the train in which the legs were discovered last month.—*Reuter.*

ANOTHER LOAN PROSPECT

SHAI MERCHANTS' SUGGESTION

Shanghai, March 20.

It is learned in financial circles that the Nanking Finance Ministry is closely considering a suggestion submitted by a number of leading Chinese merchants in Shanghai for the flotation of \$500,000,000 worth of fiduciary bonds for the purpose of tidying the country over present difficulties.

It is generally considered in official circles, however, that this plan is beset with difficulty, inasmuch as there is no sufficient cash backing for the flotation of such a huge amount of bonds.—*Central News.*

TURMOIL AFTER CABINET FALL

GOLD BLOC STOCK DECLINES

FRANCE FAILS TO BACK BELGIUM WITH LOAN

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

It is learned from New York, says the *United Press*, that the resignation of the Belgian Government has thrown the foreign exchange market into turmoil. The Belgian franc has already fallen ten points, to 23.50, and the currencies of all the Gold Bloc nations, followed the Belgian unit in sympathy. The pound, however, which opened at 4.74, rose to 4.76½.

A despatch through *Reuter* from Paris attributes the fall of the Belgian Cabinet to the failure of France to support the belga with a loan, which, according to earlier reports, had been promised.

There are reasons to believe, *Reuter* adds, that President Roosevelt will call a currency parley of nations.

Brussels, March 19.

M. Theunis, at the opening of the Chamber of Deputies here to-day, read a statement declaring that the Government had encountered too formidable opposition in its efforts for financial and economic rehabilitation, and therefore would be obliged to resign.

At present its efforts would be centred upon the formation of a new Government which would include Socialists in addition to the Liberals and Catholics from the fallen Government.

The King of the Belgians to-day held a conference with the Socialist leader M. Vandervelde, in the Royal Palace.

The position regarding the gold standard in Belgium is at present uncertain.

It is worthy of note that the opinion of the Socialist party is divided regarding the ultimate valuation of the belga.—*United Press.*

PARIS OPINION

Paris, March 19.

The resignation of the Belgian Cabinet is attributed to the French decision not to grant a 4,000,000-franc loan to Belgium and that adequate commercial concessions are impossible.

Paris believes Belgium will follow the sterling group, and owing to the prospects of similar steps by Holland, another of the Gold Bloc nations, it is believed here that President Roosevelt may have an unexpected chance to propose a world currency parley.

A nervous feeling is apparent about all gold currencies. Official French support of the belga this afternoon suggests that hopes of helping the Belgian currency to retain its normal level have not been abandoned entirely.

LONDON REPERCUSSION

London, March 19.

Immediate repercussions following the resignation of the Belgian Cabinet were felt here and resulted in the rapid improvement of sterling in terms of dollars and francs, in view of the very heavy Continental demand.

The news from Brussels unsettled the Stock Exchange, owing to fears of industrial competition in the event of Belgium going off the gold standard.—*Reuter.*

DOLLAR DROPS SLIGHTLY

MARKET STILL UNCERTAIN

The official rate of the Hongkong dollar on opening this morning was 1s. 11½d., a decline of ¼d. on yesterday's closing rate. The market was uncertain on opening, rates varying, with sellers at 1s. 11½d/16d and buyers at 1s. 11½d/16d. Shanghai opened at 1s. 11½d/16d, then receded to 1s. 11½d/16d, and then reverting to the opening figure. In London, silver declined 1/16d. American and speculative bought, whilst India and China sold.—*Reuter.*



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FILMLAND NEWS

**African Background For
British Picture**

20,000 NATIVES

London Film Productions new film, "Sanders of the River," will be presented shortly at the Leicester Square Theatre, London, the premiere being in aid of the Newspaper Press Fund.

The picture, the cast of which includes Leslie Banks and Paul Robeson, is claimed to have remarkable African sequences. Zoltan Korda, the director, and his production unit flew in Imperial Airways planes to make these sequences. Some 11,000 miles were covered by the unit, which consisted of 14 Europeans, five lorries, five private cars, and over 40 porters with three cameras and complete sound-recording apparatus. Extra personnel, film stock, and equipment was sent by air from London to Entebbe. A long trek, sometimes of over 100 miles, was necessary to bring them to the location where the unit was working.

The strange customs and dances of the primitive Acholi natives have been recorded. They are a tribe of remarkable physique. These natives understood what was required of them, and entered enthusiastically into the spirit of the scenes. The rates of pay for the "crowd artists" were 6d. a day, with a bonus of cheap locally manufactured cigarettes. Altogether nearly 20,000 natives were used on the various locations.

"MUTINY OF THE BOUNTY"

Charles Laughton has sailed from San Pedro for the South Seas to make a film version of that famous sea epic, "The Mutiny of the Bounty," for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

He will play the part of Captain Bligh, the British commander, who after being ousted from his ship by mutineers and placed in a small boat with faithful members of his crew, made a miraculous voyage of thousands of miles across open sea, finally to reach safety and return to England.

Clark Gable will be the leader of the mutineers, and Robert Montgomery will play the Bounty's clerk and historian.

All the scenes will be made on their historical site.

SIR C. HARDWICKE

Sir Cedric Hardwicke has now returned to London from Hollywood. He will appear on the London stage in "Tovaritch" which deals with a group of aristocratic Russian refugees in Paris.

Sir Cedric Hardwicke has been a great success in Hollywood. He has had many offers to stay, and the Metro-Goldwyn company (says a *Daily Telegraph* correspondent), wanted him to play the male lead in Greta Garbo's next film. Sir Cedric refused the offer as he wanted to return to London to do some more stage acting.

MAY BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Ida Lupino, the film actress, daughter of Stanley Lupino, the London stage comedian, is planning to become an American citizen (says *Reuter* from Hollywood).

Shortly after returning from a holiday trip to England, she declared in an interview: "Four months abroad impressed me with the fact that I am first a Southern Californian, and second an Englishwoman. If everything goes well with me this trip, don't be surprised if I become a real American."

EFFECTS OF TELEVISION

An International Committee is being formed in Rome by the

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Add the vanilla, and fold in the stiffly-whipped whites of the eggs. Cook in a well-greased, hot waffle iron. When brown, turn, and cook on the other side. Serve hot with butter and maple syrup or golden syrup.

Strictly speaking, the original American waffle contains neither sugar nor essence, and these may be omitted. If an electric waffle iron is used, it is not necessary to grease the iron or turn the waffles.

Educational Cinematograph Institute to inquire into the problems raised by the coming into general use of television.

The Committee, which is to meet shortly, will be composed of representatives of the Institute of Broadcasting and representatives of the international organisations in Europe and America who are concerned with television.

BRISSON'S NEW CONTRACT

Paramount has signed Carl Brisson on a new contract. This is a contract for three years at a substantial increase in salary, and calls for three pictures yearly. Brisson will also be allowed to broaden.

His third Hollywood picture, "The Count of Luxembourg," will soon go into production.

Hauptmann at Death's Door

**HAS WATCHED FIVE
MEN GO TO CHAIR**

**HOUSED IN PLACE
OF HORRORS**

Trenton, N.J.

Bruno Richard Hauptmann convicted of murdering the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, is the lonely occupant of a cell in the death house at the State prison here, separated by eight other empty cells from the electric chair where he has been condemned to die.

Hauptmann was assigned to cell No. 1. He is the only occupant of the lower of two tiers of nine cells each. When he entered the prison after his conviction at Flemington there were five men in the upper tier. They have all been led away to the place of execution. Hauptmann has seen them go.

Two keepers guard Hauptmann every minute of the day and night in eight-hour shifts. His cell is kept constantly lighted, as a precaution against attempted escape or suicide.

A corridor in front of the cells leads to the execution room. There, surrounded only by white walls and under two flood lights, stands the electric chair where Hauptmann is to die if the Flemington verdict stands.

Occupying a space only 24 feet by 40 at one end of the newly-built death house within the high walls of the state prison, the chamber has witnessed the electrocution of 110 men. No woman has ever paid the extreme penalty in New Jersey by this instrument. —United Press.

DOGLESS DOG-MAN

**FATHER OF GREAT
ANNUAL SHOW**

London.

Mr. Charles Cruft is probably the most famous dog-man in the world, yet he does not keep a dog of his own.

Mr. Cruft originated the annual London show that bears his name at which the world's best dogs carry off prizes equivalent to world championships, but he has never exhibited for himself, although at one time or another he has owned spaniels, basset hounds and Schipperkes.

Mr. Cruft is 83, and looks something like his favourite breed—the pointer. He has the long face and slightly-harassed forehead of a pointer.

He started life as an office-boy to a well-known dog-food firm. Then came the idea of a dog-show. Mr. Cruft hired the old Royal Aquarium at Westminster for his first exhibition. That was in 1886. It was confined to terriers and there were 500 entries.

The forty-ninth edition of the show was held here recently. There were 10,000 entries representing every breed in the world. Mr. Cruft is passionately devoted to dogs, yet he believes that the task of supervising the welfare of the thousands at his show does not allow him the leisure to give one pet of his own attention which he would like to give it.

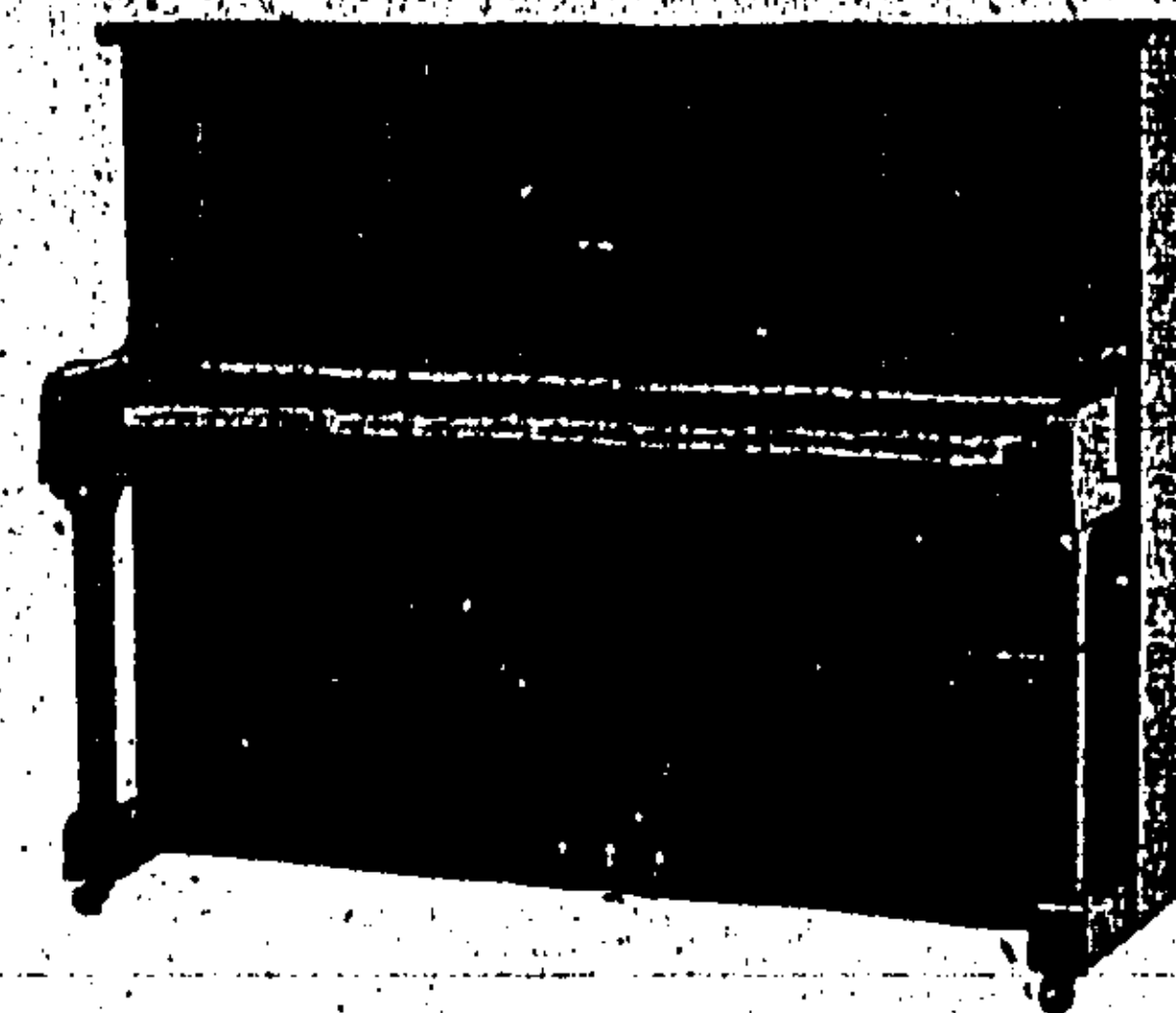
He has the Solomon touch in deciding dog problems. At the last show there was a large number of Corgis, funny little Welsh dogs, popular because Princess Elizabeth has one.

The problem that stirred the dog world was should Corgis have tails or should they be tailless?

Mr. Cruft pondered, and then announced that they could be either, and appointed a bulldog expert to judge them.

Of dogs, Mr. Cruft says: "I admire them because they don't talk."

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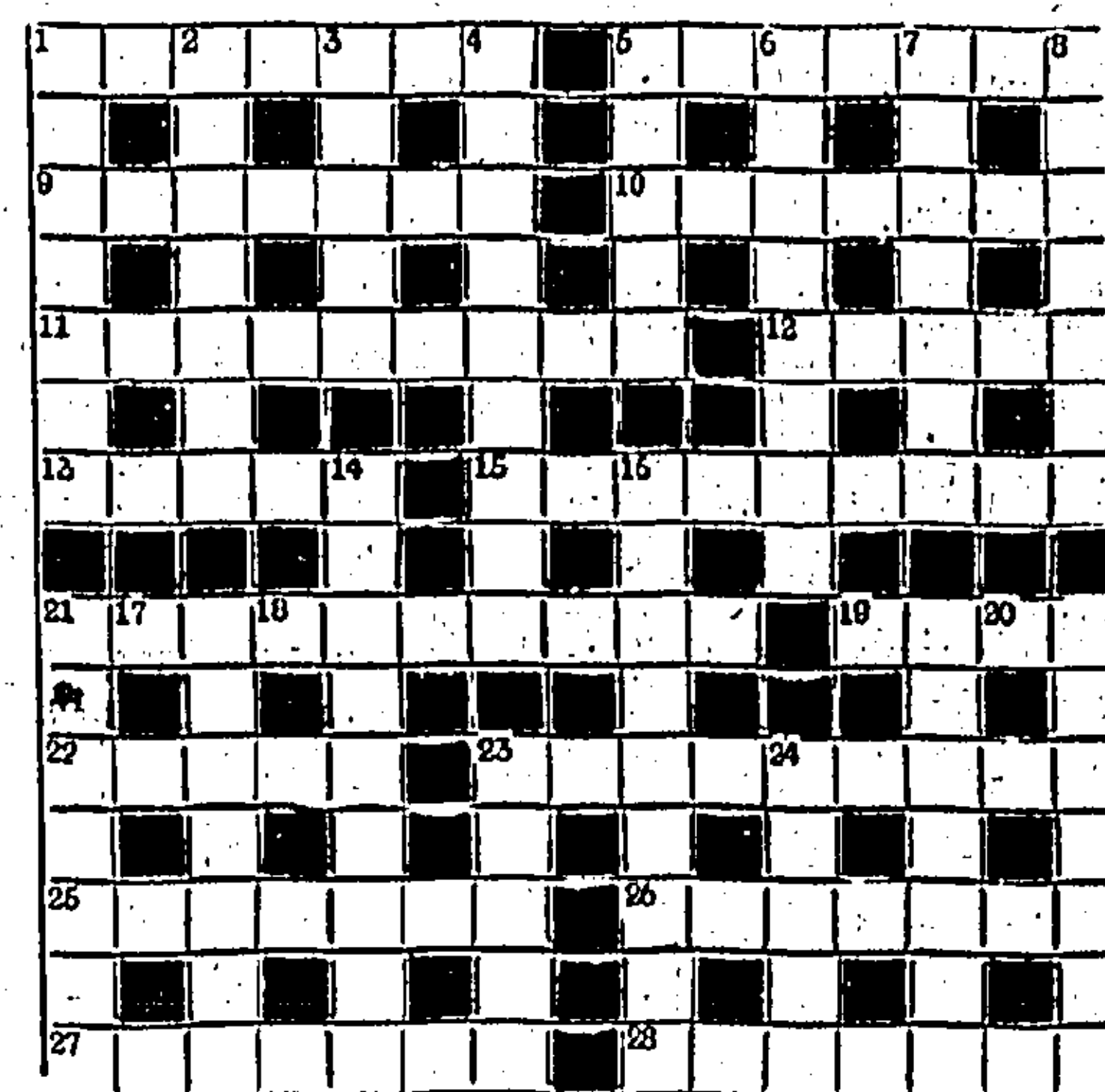
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- 12 A sweet reversal of an improbable request.
- 13 Fish.
- 15 "Ninety ell" (anag.).
- 17 His show is worth seeing in London.
- 19 One of the lighter brands.
- 22 A striking mix-up.
- 23 This Saxon King shows you the salt upset inside.
- 25 Usually a compliment the recipient never hears.
- 26 Meanwhile bury the greater part.
- 27 Men don't like to be chased by her!

Down

- 1 The head will bark and the tail needs redeeming—very unusual.
- 2 A soft spot with pedestrians.
- 3 The sound of more than a tribe.
- 4 It is never-ending, yet a con-federate ends it.
- 5 A palindromic.
- 6 Sam and Ernest combined to give this flasco (two words).
- 7 You will have to think to get this!

8 Ruin.

- 14 Mild.
- 16 This would probably be an un-welcome blow in The Summer! (two words).
- 17 A famous Roundhead.
- 18 This occupation is a great leveller.
- 19 The sort of person who has given up minding his own business.
- 21 His suspensions are final, but only just.
- 23 Tests for these are on the programme this year.
- 24 A tongue.

Yesterday's Solution.

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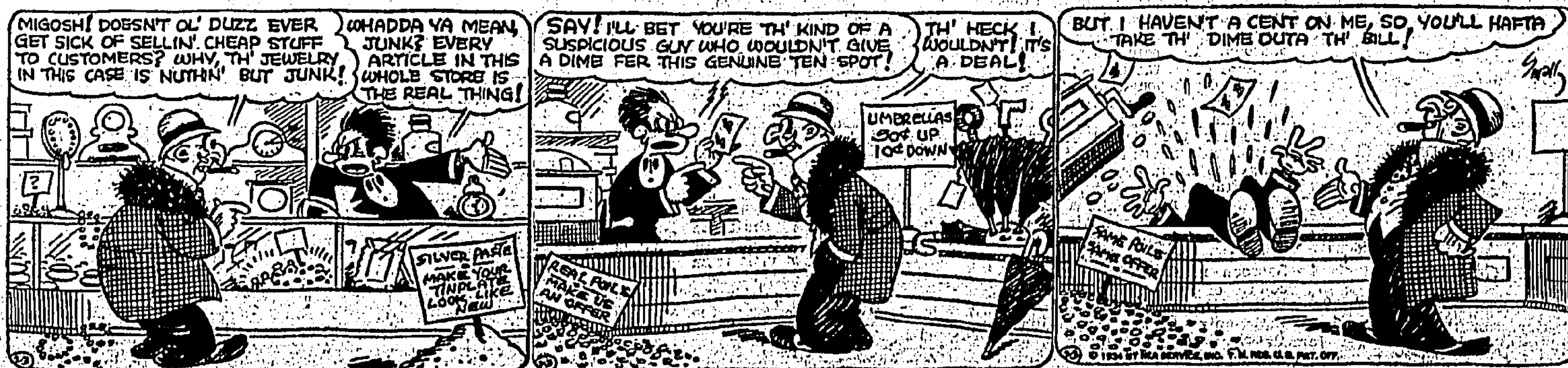
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BRIGHTON MURDER MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED EXPERTS BAFFLED

Brighton Trunk Mystery No. 1 remains a mystery.

Who the woman was, and how, when, and where she came by her death have not been discovered. The head and arms have not been found. Sir Bernard Spilsbury is unable to state the cause of death. These points were brought out when the inquest was resumed at Brighton recently.

The coroner was told by a police officer that no useful purpose would be served by keeping the inquiry open, and the inquest was thereupon closed with a formal verdict.

The trunk and legs of the woman were found in June last. Only evidence of the finding of the limbs was given when the matter was first brought to the notice of the coroner, and it was adjourned until March in the hope that police inquiries would solve the mystery.

Nothing has, however, served this purpose, although Chief-Inspector Donaldson and Detective-Sergeant Sowell of Scotland Yard and the Brighton police have investigated endless supposed clues during the intervening months. The established facts are that on June 9, Darby Day, a cabin trunk was left at the luggage office at Brighton Station, and on June 7 a suitcase was deposited at the cloakroom at King's Cross Station. The trunk contained a woman's body and the suitcase a woman's legs.

Chief-Inspector Donaldson and Detective-Inspector Pelling, chief of the Brighton C.I.D., had a conference with the coroner before the Court sat.

The coroner's office notice of the inquest was headed:—"No death of unknown female person, 20-25 years of age, found in trunk at Brighton Station, 17/6/34."

No member of the general public was present, and the coroner sat with but seven of the original jury of nine. One jurymen has since been taken ill and another has left the district.

The only recent witness was Dr. H. J. Pulling, who at the time of the discovery was police surgeon in Brighton. He has now retired. The inquiry lasted only eight minutes and then, on the direction of the coroner, the jury returned an open verdict.

Before calling the only witness the coroner, addressing the jury, said that on June 19 Sir Bernard Spilsbury conducted a postmortem examination on the woman which was found at Brighton, and on the next day, Sir Bernard examined the legs which were found at King's Cross Station and satisfied himself that they belonged to the same body.

An analysis of the stomach and other organs was subsequently made by Dr. Roche Lynch, and the inquest was opened on June 20 and adjourned until July 18, and then again until August 22, when evidence was given of the finding of the trunk.

STILL NO EVIDENCE
The inquiry was then adjourned again in the hope that evidence would be forthcoming to enable the jury to deal with points which were required by law to deal with as far as possible—namely, who the deceased was, and how, when, and where she came by her death.

Notwithstanding every effort,

there was still no evidence available to enable the jury to deal with these points as the head and arms had not been found.

He only proposed to call Dr. Pulling, who would produce reports of Sir Bernard Spilsbury and Dr. Roche Lynch. The police were represented by Inspector Pelling and Chief-Inspector Donaldson, and, subject to anything they might say, the inquiry would be closed.

Dr. Pulling then read an extract from the report of Sir Bernard Spilsbury, dated July 4. It read:—"On June 19 I made a post-mortem examination at the Brighton mortuary on the headless and limbless body of a woman found in a suitcase at Brighton Station."

"The body was that of a well-nourished woman. In the neck the line of division passed through the fifth cervical vertebra. The arms had been severed a short distance below the shoulders—the right at a lower level than the left. The legs had been severed a short distance below the hips, the left leg at a lower level than the right."

"A HEALTHY WOMAN"
"On June 20 I made a post-mortem examination of two human lower limbs found in a box at King's Cross L.N.E.R. Station. The limbs formed a pair which were exactly alike."

"The limbs had been separated from the trunk through the upper parts of the thigh, and each limb was further divided at the knee. The trunk found at Brighton and the lower limbs found at King's Cross are both of the same body—that of a young woman about 20-25 years of age. She was well developed but not stout, and was about five feet three inches in height."

"She appeared to have been a healthy woman. No disease was found in her body. The structures of her leg bones suggest that she led an active life, and that there was probably no history of serious illness in childhood. The thigh, legs, and feet were perfectly clean, and, like the trunk, show no marks or injury."

"I found no natural disease to account for death. There were no indications of poisoning, and there were no marks of violence on the body or lower limbs. I am therefore unable to state the cause of death."

"NO TRACE OF POISONING"
An extract read from the report of Dr. Roche Lynch was:—"I have analysed the organs handed to me by Sir Bernard Spilsbury, and have detected no trace of any poisoning or noxious substance in them."

The coroner asked Inspector Pelling if, so far as he was concerned, there was any useful purpose to be served by keeping the inquiry open and granting another adjournment.

Inspector Pelling replied:—"None, so far as I can say."

Chief-Inspector Donaldson said he agreed with Inspector Pelling that no useful purpose could be served by an adjournment.

Directing the jury that they should return an open verdict, the coroner commented that it was very unfortunate that, notwithstanding the investigations spread over a period of just over eight months, there was no evidence available to enable the jury to settle the points which should receive attention at an inquest.

The most important point was, of course, the cause of death, and as there was no evidence to show how the death occurred he thought the proper course for them to take would be to return an open verdict. A verdict in that form would leave the matter open, and although the inquest would be closed the case would remain in the hands of the police.

Without retiring the jury immediately returned an open verdict.

ANTARCTIC MAY BE SCENE OF SUMMER REVELS



Scenes in the Antarctic where Sir Douglas envisions pleasure resorts of the future. Inset, Sir Douglas Mawson.

Melbourne.
The annual domestic argument about where to spend that vacation threatens to become more involved and complex.

Mother, who wants to go to the seashore, and father, who wants to vacation in the mountains, in the future may have to put up with debate from junior about the merits of a sojourn in the Antarctic.

The Antarctic? you ask. Yes, the Antarctic, the place you imagine as an unknown area of barren wastes, icebergs, walrus, penguins and polar bears.

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Sir Douglas believes that steamer cruises to the pack ice of the Antarctic and winter sports at the lower tip of the world are pleasures you will be able to enjoy, if you like that sort of thing, in the not too far distant future.

Besides the possibilities of the Antarctic area as a resort centre, it also may become an important point of trade, in the opinion of the explorer. Fur farming might be instituted on a large scale, and there is a chance gold might be found there, he says.

ONLY EXPLORED

The forecast of the noted explorer puts a new light on the value of the Antarctic, which so far has been penetrated by civilisation only through the efforts of exploration parties.

Sir Douglas sees the most bene-

fits coming out of the south pole region under British control.

"It is obvious that unified control under British inter-imperial administration is most certain to procure the ultimate benefit to the territory," the explorer says. "Contiguous British dominions have already claimed a considerable portion of the land area, and rightly so, for not only has Great Britain played a leading part in their discovery, but her proximate lands are better in a position to administer their control and development."

FISHING AND WHALING

"The immediate prospects for commercial development are fisheries and whaling, which geographically Australia and New Zealand are best suited to develop."

"As a winter sports ground the Antarctic will be a thrill to Australians and also for summer pleasure cruises in modern liners through the pack ice."

"I visualize before long operations conducted from Australia and New Zealand similar to the Hudson's Bay company's activities, with isolated shore posts collecting seal products, penguins' eggs and fresh fish products and breeding Arctic white foxes."

The hidden continent of the Antarctic totals approximately 4,500,000 square miles, according to Sir Douglas.

The Australian has had considerable experience among the frozen wastes around the south pole. He was a member of the expedition which Sir Ernest Shackleton led in 1907 and was one of the

three men who scaled Mount Erebus and planted the Union Jack there.

ESCAPE FROM DEATH

In 1911 he headed his own party which sailed from Hobart, Tasmania, in the schooner Aurora and established a base on the unexplored coastline of the Antarctic continent. The expedition almost carried Sir Douglas to his death. In December of 1913 he, with two companions, left the main base for a dash east to ascertain the nature of the land in that direction. Suddenly one of the group vanished in a bottomless crevasse carrying the most completely equipped dog sleds with him. Mawson and his surviving companion turned back with only one day's food, but by slaughtering their dogs they hoped to make their way back to safety. The food gave out and the dogs proved of little use as food. Dr. Mertz, Mawson's friend, grew slowly weaker and finally died, unable to survive the ordeal. For thirty days more the explorer fought a super-human struggle against frost, starvation and toll and finally stumbled into his camp a mere skeleton. Even then he was compelled to spend another year on the ice-locked peninsula, since the relief vessel sent to his aid had sailed away.

In 1929 he again led an expedition, this time on the famous Discovery, once owned by Captain Scott, and discovered a vast area hitherto unknown. For his work in the first expedition he was knighted by the King.

FASTEST CAMERA

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LIVES

When one hundred of Britain's most eminent scientists visited the Department of Chemical Technology at the Imperial College of Science, Kensington, they saw among the latest wonders of scientific research a camera capable of photographing flame travelling at 24,000 miles an hour.

It was the Fraser Hill Speed Camera No. 5, the fastest camera in the world, perfected by Mr. R. P. Fraser, and built by himself and

his assistant, Dr. W. H. Wheeler, of the Fuel Technology Department of the college. It cost about £1,000 to build.

From a ground-floor room came the scream of machinery. Red lights glowed on a mass of seemingly confused apparatus, glass tubes, gleaming metals, switches, and cables carrying 120,000 volts.

The centre of interest was a piece of glimmering machinery covering about three square feet on a specially reinforced table. It consisted of an electric motor driving what appeared to be an enclosed dynamo with a large lens in one side.

The noise was made by the world's fastest camera in action. Its moving parts turning in a vacuum at 30,000 revolutions a minute.

A normal solid motor-car flywheel will fly to pieces at 15,000 revolutions a minute.

By the new knowledge it will give of the behaviour of explosion flames the camera may be the means of saving hundreds of lives, Mr. Fraser, the inventor, said.

"This is how the camera works. On the inside of the casing are two semicircles of film. They do not move."

"Revolving in the camera is a double-sided steel mirror, which rotates in the centre of the circle formed by the films so as to throw the image from the lens on to them. The mirror revolves up to a speed of 30,000 revolutions a minute, and being double-sided, it casts the image on the films at the rate of 60,000 image rotations a minute."

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"The picture affected me deeply and reminded me of my days in the British Army more than any film I have yet seen. It was amazing to me that Hollywood, so remote from the Indian frontier, could have so faithfully preserved both the spirit and the tradition of the military service."

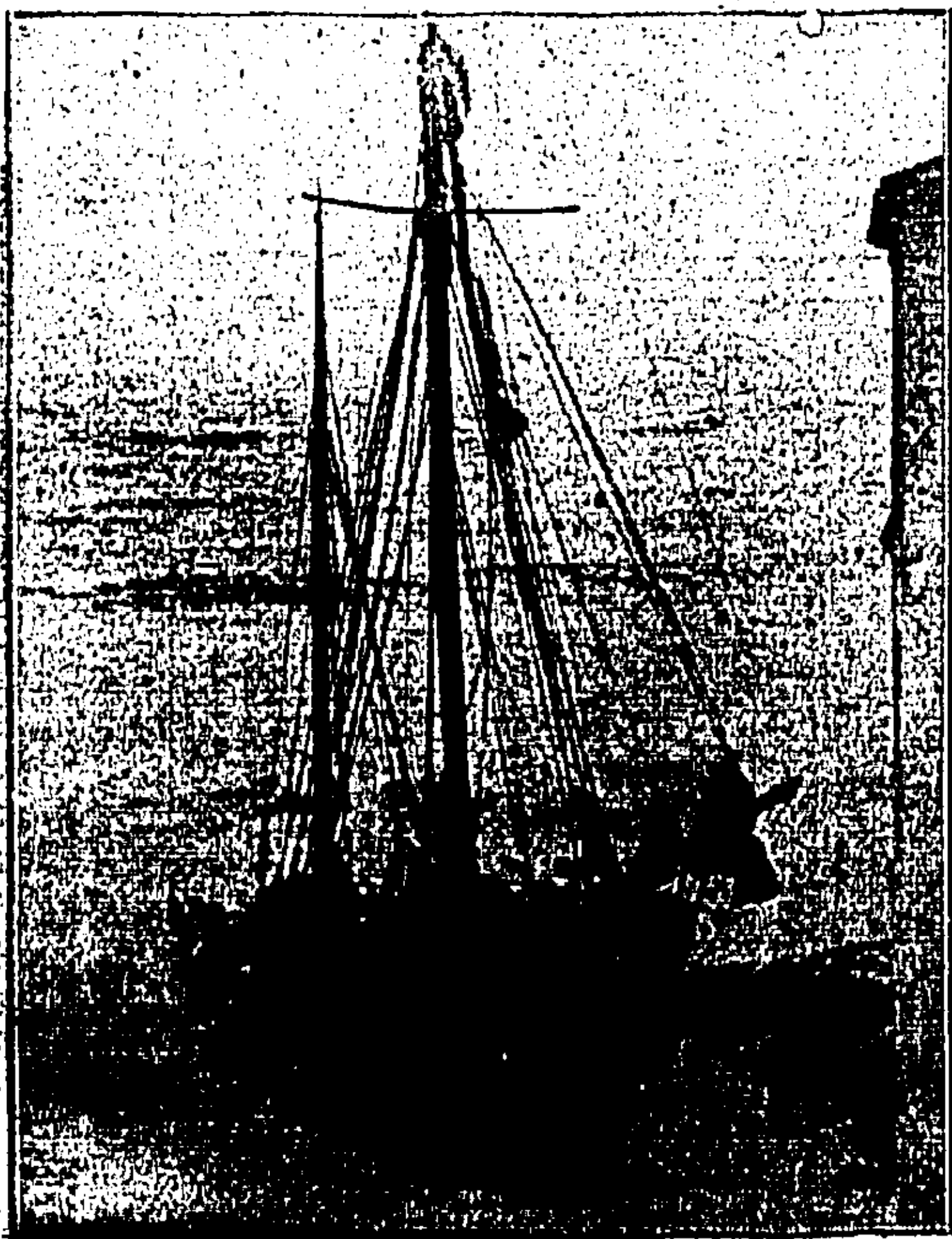
Naturally, being a soldier, my first thought was to look for tactical errors in the manoeuvring of troops, but with one slight exception during a battle scene (when errors in formation are permissible and sometimes necessary) I found the picture to be remarkably accurate; so much so that I can commend it very highly.

Personally, this film affected me with its spirit of heroism and sacrifice and I am unashamed to say that there were tears in my eyes when it ended. I should feel safe in saying that it will appeal to Englishmen as a whole and to that more critical element in India who are nearer to its subject matter.

Lady Byng enjoyed it as much as I and we both desire to congratulate the Director, Henry Hathaway and the Actors, Gary Cooper, Franchot-Tone, Richard Cromwell and Sir Guy Standing, who made it so interesting and real. Our countryman, Sir Guy Standing, gave an outstanding performance in the best spirit of the service he represented."

COMING TO

CENTRAL & ALHAMBRA



When terrific winter gales lashed the Devon coast, shipping suffered heavily. Fishing boats especially were badly battered by huge waves whipped up by high winds. Here is the schooner 'Cedilla' of Bideford, Devon, high up on the coast where she was blown helplessly. Her bow rested within a few feet of a house built close to the shore.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd March to 3rd April, 1935, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1935.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO. LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Wednesday, the 20th day of March 1935, at 12 o'clock noon to receive the Directors' Report, and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1934, to elect Auditors and Directors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th to the 20th day of March, 1935, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1935.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Ninety First Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on Thursday, the 28th March, 1935, at 5.30 p.m.

By order,

S. R. KERI,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1935.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 29th March, 1935, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1934.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED.

General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1935.

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Dollar Collection Fund.

Managers of business firms and others who have employees are informed that special collection boxes for the Jubilee \$1 Collection are now available at 6 Ning Yuen Terrace, temporary headquarters of the St. John Ambulance Brigade; telephone No. 26235.

The boxes can be obtained from Mr. A. Morris, at the address mentioned above, or from Mr. S. F. Balfour, of the Colonial Secretariat.

The Collection is to begin on April 1, between which date and May 1 the boxes should be circulated; when filled, they should be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which has kindly undertaken to receive same.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

Members are reminded that the Annual Dinner of the Institution will be held in the Rooms on Friday, 22nd March, 1935, at 8 o'clock p.m.

J. P. A. DAVIS,
Hon. Secretary.

Dress-Dinner Jacket.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Monday, 25th March, 1935, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1934.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 25th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1935.

PORTUGUESE SLOOP

OFFICERS WELCOMED AT CLUB LUSITANO

Frigate Captain Manuel Cardoso Quilao Meireles, commander of the Portuguese sloop Goncalves Zarco, and other officers of the vessel, were guests of honour at a reception given at the Club Lusitano last evening by the Portuguese community. Over 150 people were present.

Dr. F. A. Graca Ozorio, President of the Club Lusitano, welcomed the Commandant and officers on behalf of the Club.

The Consul General for Portugal, Marques de Ficalho, also extended a welcome to Capt. Meireles and the other officers, on behalf of the Portuguese community in Hongkong. Capt. Meireles was in their midst, he said, as an ambassador from the Mother Country and was no stranger to them as he was formerly Minister for Foreign Affairs for Portugal. They were all proud of the enormous strides which had been made in the re-organisation of the Portuguese Navy and that Portugal was again taking its place among the navies of the leading civilised nations.

The Portuguese community in Hongkong was proud to be Portuguese and never missed an opportunity to express its patri-

TOLL OF ROAD

SEVEN FATALITIES IN FEBRUARY

The month of February recorded one accident less than the total shown in January. No fewer than 117 accidents were reported to the Traffic Department from Hongkong during the month, and 35 from Kowloon.

Whereas in January, there were only five fatalities, all in Hongkong, seven occurred in February, three on the island and four on the mainland.

Of the total of 117 accidents, in Hongkong, 49 were claimed by private cars, which caused injury to 19 persons. Motor lorries had 25 accidents, with consequent injuries to six. Altogether 51 persons were injured in Hongkong, and 18 in Kowloon. Full details are given below:

Hongkong	Accidents	Persons Injured
Motor Buses	9	6
Motor Lorries	25	6
Private Cars	49	19
Public Cars	18	7
Cycles	4	2
Tricycles	4	4
Tram Cars	8	7
Total	117	51

Kowloon	Accidents	Persons Injured
Motor Lorries	2	2
Tram Cars	1	1
Total	3	3

Kowloon	Accidents	Persons Injured
Motor Buses	10	8
Motor Lorries	5	3
Private Cars	5	3
Motor Cycles	5	4
Bicycles	1	1
Total	35	18

Kowloon	Fatal Accidents
Motor Buses	2
Private Cars	1
Push Bicycle	1
Total	4

They were all proud to see a warship of the Mother Country in the waters of a friendly nation. He assured Capt. Meireles that the local Portuguese community greatly appreciated the present administration of Portugal by Dr. O. Salazar and his colleagues, and gave the toast "Viva Portugal."

Mr. Vasco Morgado, Consul for Canton, brought greetings from the Portuguese community in Canton, after which Capt. Meireles expressed appreciation of the hospitality he and his brother officers had received while in the Colony.

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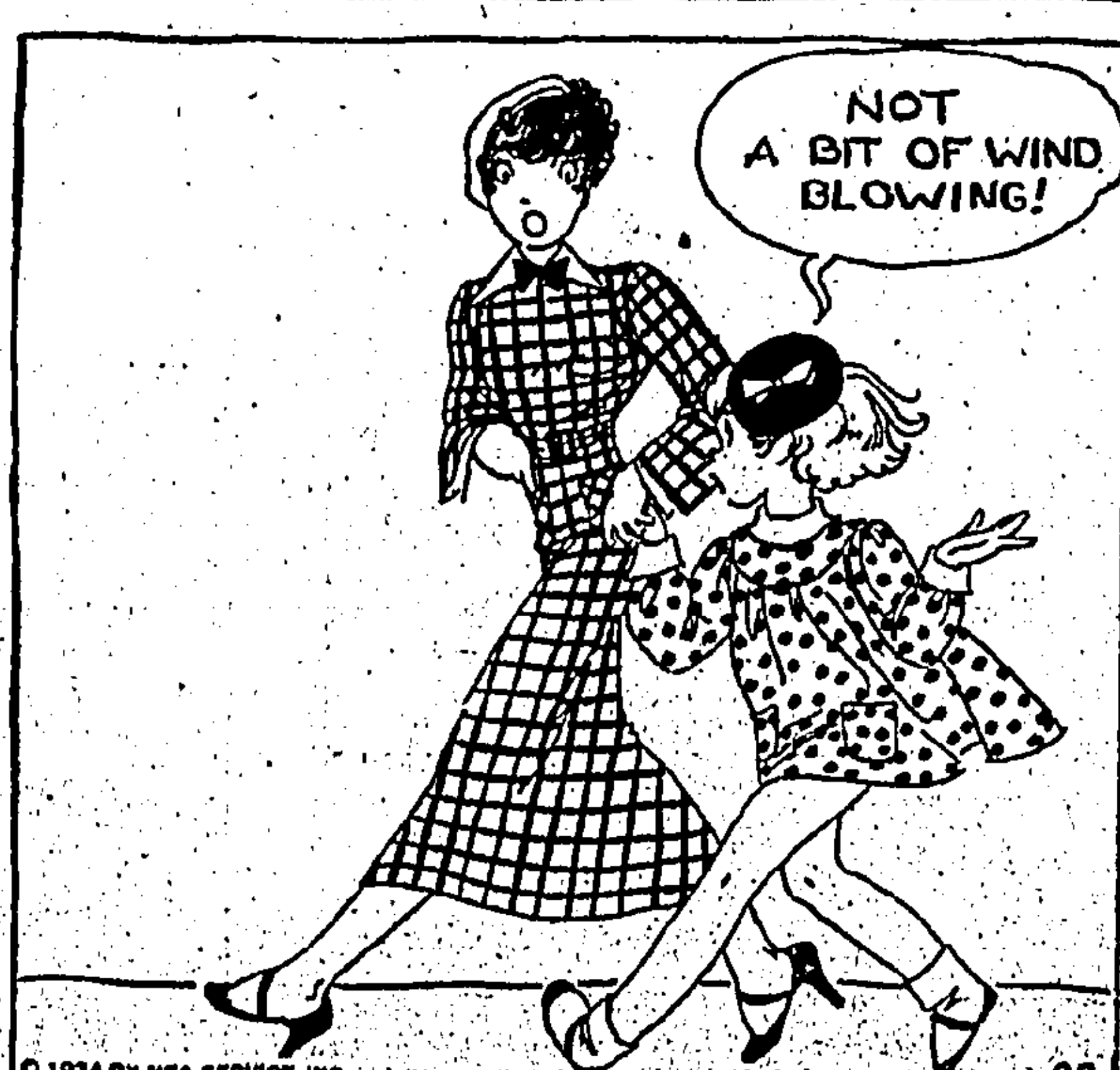
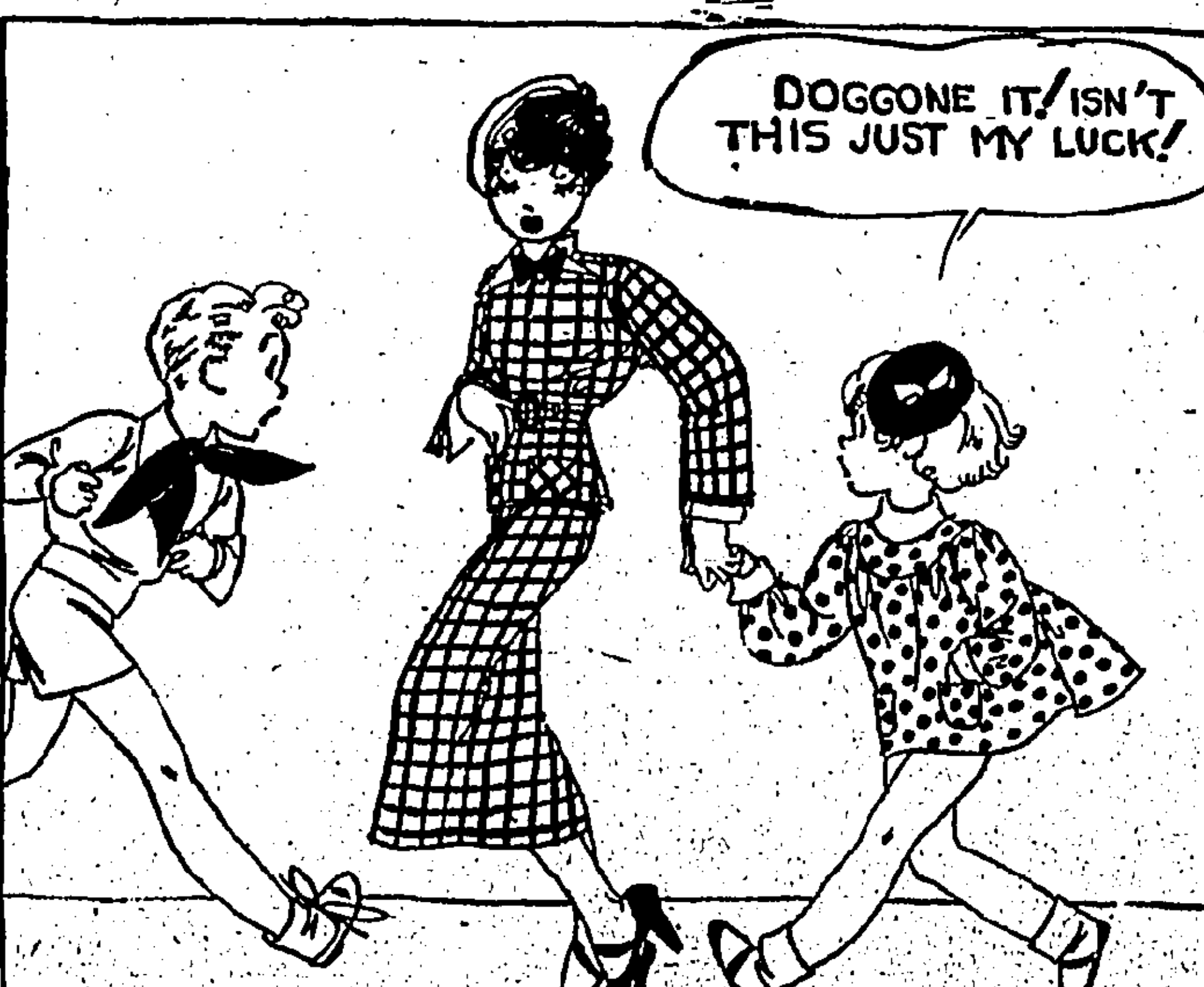
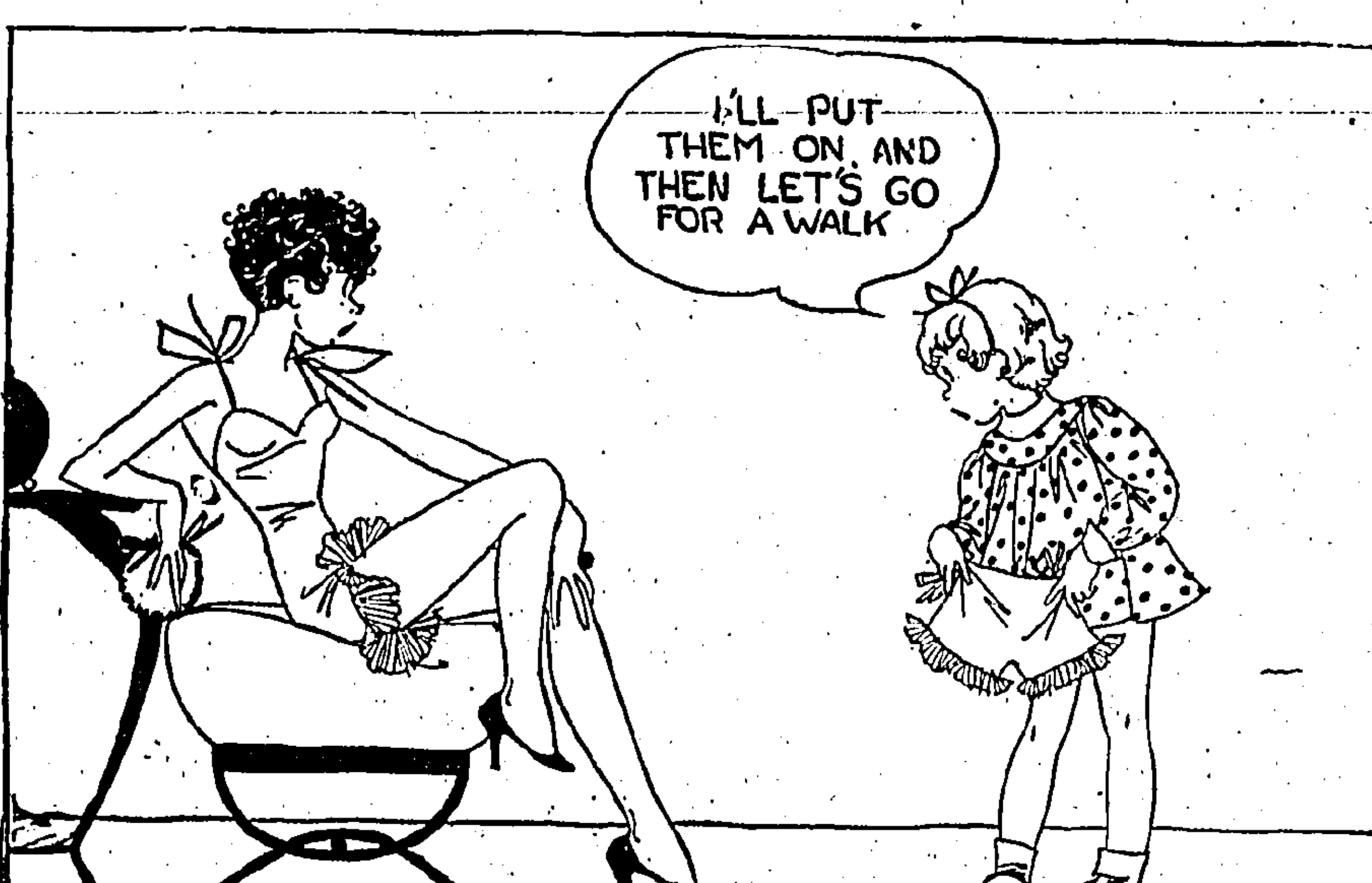
Shanghai and Swatow	Chengtu	March 20.
Europe via Suva (Letters and Papers) London, 21st February and London Fares—London, 14th February and Air-Mail ex Amsterdam—Bandoeng Service (Amsterdam 6th March)		
Manila	Corfu	March 20.
Japan	Emp. of Japan	March 20.
Straits	Nako Maru	March 20.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tottori Maru	March 20.
Australia and Manila	Holloway	March 21.
Saigon and Air Mail ex Marseilles—Saigon Service (Marseilles, 6th March)	Kamo Maru	March 21.
Japan	Prosper	March 21.
Japan	Santos Maru	March 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Alauta Maru	March 22.
Manila	Carthage	March 22.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 2nd March)	General Sherman	March 22.
Manila	Pres. Grant	March 22.
Straits	Pres. Hoover	March 22.
Shanghai	Taishima Maru	March 22.
Straits	Andre Lebon	March 22.
Shanghai	Lydon	March 24.
Straits	Achilles	March 25.

OUTWARD MAILES.

For	Per	Date and Time
	Wednesday.	
Swatow	Selatan	Wed., Mar. 20, 8 p.m.
Amoy	Talyan	Wed., Mar. 20, 8.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Wed., Mar. 20, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Talma	Wed., Mar. 20, 5 p.m.
	Thursday.	
Amoy	TJheadane	Thurs., Mar. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Formosa via Swatow and Amoy	Deli Maru	Thurs., Mar. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Corfu	Thurs., Mar. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heuts Thura	Thurs., Mar. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and "South American Ports"	Santos Maru	Thurs., Mar. 21, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Mar. 21, 3 p.m.
Japan	Kamo Maru	Thurs., Mar. 21, 5 p.m.
	Friday.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., "Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia (Parcels for Canada only) (Due Vancouver B.C., 9th April)	Parcels	Mar. 21, 5 p.m.
Holloway, Pakhoi and Halphong	Reg.	Mar. 22, 9.15 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Kwangtung	Fri., Mar. 22, 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "San Francisco General Sherman" (Due San Francisco, 14th April)	Hal Ning	Fri., Mar. 22, 8 p.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 22, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
	Saturday.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Pres. Hoover	Parcels	Sat., Mar. 23, 5 p.m.
C. and S. America, Canada and "Europe via San Francisco. (Due San Francisco, 10th April)	Reg.	Mar. 23, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Mar. 23, 10 a.m.

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Kay Francis, left, Irving Pichel, and Leslie Howard, right, don't seem immediately concerned with revolutions or wars in this scene from "British Agent," First National's gripping story of war-time Russia. The picture was suggested by R. H. Bruce Lockhart's novel of the same name. "British Agent" opens to-morrow for a three-day run at the Alhambra Theatre and will continue from Sunday at the Central Theatre.

COURT MARTIAL SENSATION

SENTENCE ALTERED BY ADMIRALTY

London, Mar. 19.
There was a sensational sequel to the Courts Martial of Rear Admiral Bailey (Commanding the Battle Cruiser Squadron, Home Fleet), Flag Captain F. T. B. Tower (Commanding H. M. S. Hood) and Capt. H. R. Sawbridge (Commanding H. M. S. Renown) to-day, when important differences of opinion were recorded by the Board of the Admiralty from the decisions of the Courts Martial.

Their Lordships, stated to-day that they were unable to absolve Rear Admiral Bailey from all blame for the collision of H. M. S. Hood and H. M. S. Renown on January 23.

Their Lordships also decided to reduce the sentence on Capt. Sawbridge to severe reprimand and he will therefore resume command of H.M.S. Renown.

The Board of the Admiralty considers that Capt. Tower should have taken avoiding action earlier, and to that extent their Lordships are unable to acquit him of all blame.

It will be recalled that the Courts Martial, held at Portsmouth late in February, absolved Rear Admiral Bailey and Capt. Tower of all blame for the collision, found Capt. Sawbridge wholly to blame and ordered that he be dismissed his ship.

All Three Blamed

Capt. J. Troup, who prosecuted in all three cases, submitted a "Circumstantial letter" to each Court, holding all three officers to blame.

Rear Admiral Bailey, said Capt. Troup, was to blame in that, having ordered the Renown to close on the Hood, he failed to take action to prevent a development of the situation in which the risk of collision arose.

Finally, Capt. Troup held that Capt. Tower was to blame, because, seeing the Renown approaching, he did not take action in sufficient time to avoid a collision.

Under the Naval Discipline Act of 1905, all decisions of Courts Martial are considered by the Board of the Admiralty, who are advised on points of law by the Judge Advocate of the Fleet (now Mr. J. G. Trappell, K.C., Recorder of Plymouth). The decisions of the Board of the Admiralty are final and binding.—*Reuter*.

More Details

British Wireless states that the Board of Admiralty have now reviewed the proceeding of the recent Courts Martial held at Portsmouth and arising out of a collision between H.M.S. Hood and H.M.S. Renown on January 23. After careful examination they dissent from the finding of the Court Martial held for the trial of Rear-Admiral Bailey to the following extent. Rear-Admiral Bailey adopted an unusual procedure in directing H.M.S. Hood and H.M.S. Renown to steer definite courses to close. Since he had given that order responsibility for manoeuvre rested on him, and it was incumbent on him at the proper moment to make a further "signal" to reform his squadron. His not doing so left in doubt his final intention. The signal for H.M.S. Hood and H.M.S. Renown to form single line ahead was made too late. For these reasons they are unable to absolve Rear-Admiral Bailey from all blame. They agree in the finding of the court-martial held for the trial of Captain Sawbridge, but they have decided to reduce his sentence to a severe reprimand. Captain Sawbridge will therefore resume the command of H.M.S. Renown. They consider that Captain Tower of H.M.S. Hood should have taken avoiding action earlier and to that extent they are unable to acquit him of all blame.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

Hippodrome Orchestra.
11 p.m. "Trains from the North."
11.15 p.m. The Earl Cuyler Players.
There is a Cava (Mezzo-Soprano).
Greenwich Time Signal at 11 p.m.
12.15 a.m. "Trevity" or "The Soul of Wit."
12.30 a.m. The News.
12.45 a.m. A Light Classical Programme.
The B.D.C. Empire Orchestra.
1.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4
(G.S.C. and G.S.A.)
1 a.m. Big Ben. The News.
2.15 a.m. British Vocalists.
2.30 a.m. Talk: "Books in General" Mr. G. E. Chesterton.
2.45 a.m. The Earl Cuyler Players.
Greenwich Time Signal at 2 p.m.
2.15 a.m. Ronald Hill hands you "An Earful of Music."
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 p.m.
4 a.m. Talk.
4.15 a.m. The Leslie Bridgewater Quintet.
5 a.m. Meet Mickey Mouse.
5.45 a.m. "Anne-Marie."
6 a.m. The News.
6.30 a.m. Dance Music.
6.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 5
(G.S.C. and G.S.A.)
7 a.m. Big Ben. The March Revue.
7.15 a.m. Talk: "Four Partners, Please."
The B.D.C. Empire Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12 Midnight
8 a.m. "Anne-Marie."
8.30 a.m. Hedderley's Balalaika Orchestra.
8.45 a.m. The News.
9 a.m. Close down.

BRITAIN'S TRAFFIC

SPEED RESTRICTIONS IN BUILT UP AREAS

London, Mar. 19.
Anxiously looking out for police stratagems on the first day of the traffic restrictions in built up areas, British motorists were on their best behaviour to-day.

The police were perfectly disguised and it is reported that some actually pursued each other. There appeared to be no difference in the congested areas, but on outlying roads, hitherto speed tracks, motorists meekly slowed down, no driver in the long procession daring to overtake the cars in front.

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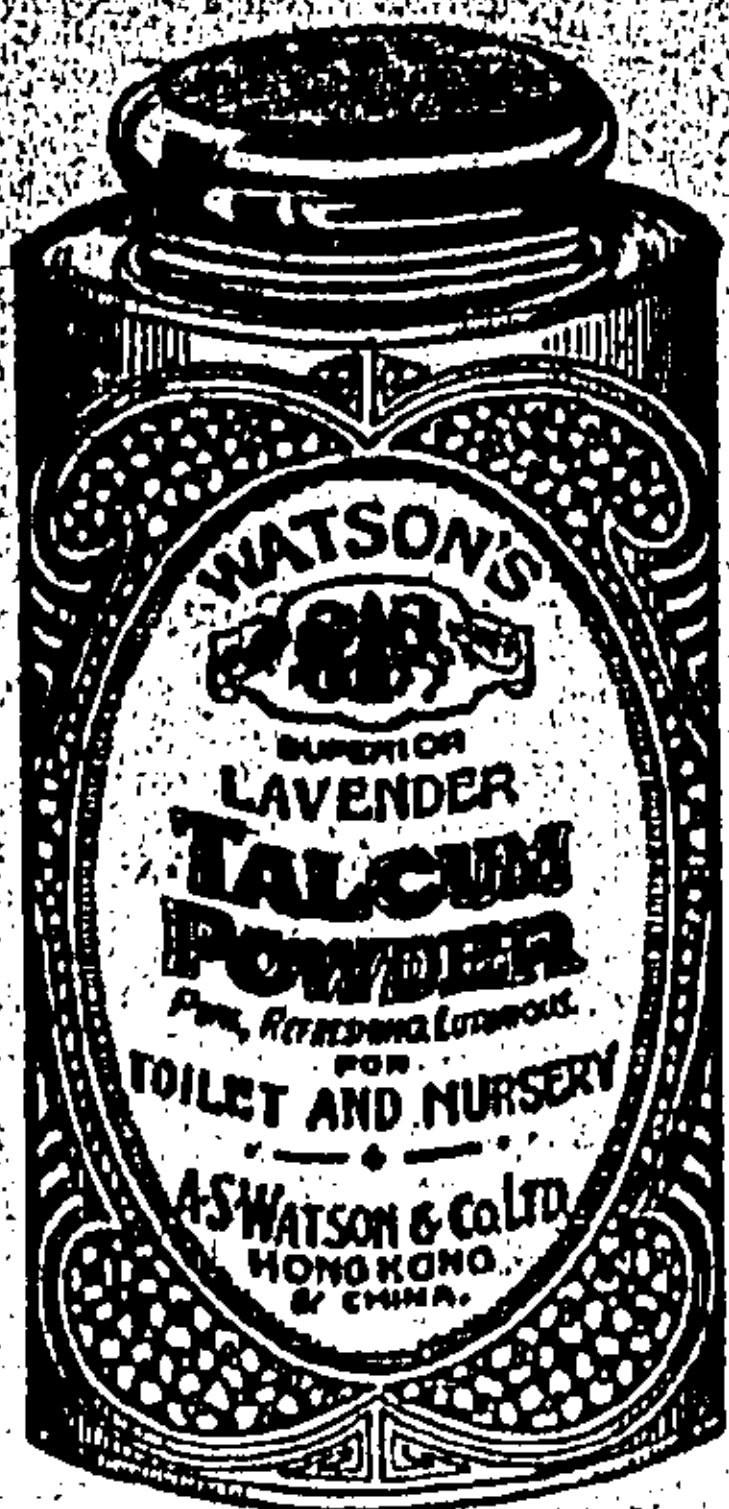
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NO OCCASION FOR ALARM

World reaction to Germany's action in unilaterally denouncing the Versailles Treaty may be expressed by saying that whilst the development is widely criticised, very little real alarm has been occasioned. France and Russia would appear to be most seriously concerned over the turn of events, but there is apparent a general tendency to await further developments, especially the outcome of the visit of Sir John Simon and Mr. Anthony Eden to Berlin. There was a fear at first that this visit might have to be cancelled, but enquiries made through the appropriate channels have been met with a reply by the German Government of a willingness to discuss the whole question of European security—with the British envoys. Britain's attitude in the face of the German re-armament decision has been strictly correct. A protest has been registered at the flouting of the Versailles Treaty, coupled with an enquiry whether the visit to Berlin, on the lines originally laid down, were desired. Only on receiving a definite assurance on the latter point has the British Government decided to send the Foreign Secretary and Mr. Eden to Berlin. A point of vital importance is that Germany has agreed that the matters to be discussed with the British delegates shall be a general settlement freely negotiated between Germany and the other Powers, and an agreement regarding armaments which, in the case of Germany, is to replace the disarmament provisions of the Versailles Treaty. This was the intention from the start, and although Germany has taken matters into her own hands by deciding not to respect the treaty stipulations, she still adheres, to her oft-repeated willingness to negotiate an international agreement for the regulation of armaments. It is true that Dr. Goebbels is credited with saying that henceforth Germany's defences will be entrusted to Germany's own power, but it is possible to place too literal an interpretation on this utterance. The dominant point is that official German pronouncements all indicate an inclination to seek a general agreement with the Powers concerned in stabilising the European situation. It will, however, not be possible to put Germany's sincerity in this matter to the test until the British envoys have had the opportunity of exploring the whole position in their talks with Herr Hitler and his colleagues. The mere fact that the recent Anglo-French conversations presupposed a "variation" to Germany's advantage, of the disarmament clauses of the

NOTES OF THE DAY

STOLEN DOGS

It is common knowledge that many of the dogs stolen in Hong-kong find their way to Chinese shops which sell dog-flesh for human consumption. Recently, as the result of a smart piece of work, the police came across three valuable Alsatians in one of these shops and were fortunately able to lay hands on them whilst they were still alive. One of the parties involved in the theft of the animals got a six-months' sentence when charged at the Police Court. Of the three dogs, one of which was worth at least a thousand dollars, two were eventually restored to their owners as the result of an advertisement, but the other, a fine-looking bitch, still awaits a claimant at the Dogs' Home. This case is but one of many in which dogs have mysteriously disappeared. Only last week, the carcass of a pointer, with its head completely severed from its body, was found in an empty flat in Kowloon, the thief being eventually caught and sent to prison. Numbers of stolen dogs are also known to be taken out of the Colony and sold for human consumption. Taking all the circumstances into consideration, it is by no means easy to trace missing animals, but owners should, in their own interest, immediately report to the police when their dogs disappear. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is working in close and beneficial co-operation with the authorities in all matters pertaining to the well-being of dumb creatures, and it would be most fitting if it now embarked on a definite campaign aimed at suppressing dog-stealing in the Colony.

COSTLIER CRUISERS

Collusion on the part of large shipbuilding firms which practice monopoly United States Government contracts is the explanation deduced by several members of the Senate Munitions Investigating Committee for the fact that bid prices on naval cruisers doubled between December, 1932, and August, 1934, says the *Christian Science Monitor* in an outspoken editorial. Until recently the committee had only circumstantial evidence on which to base this conclusion. A former shipbuilder now at outs with his colleagues told tales on them. "General knowledge" of their practice, he said, enabled him to write out a correct list of the ships each company would get ten days before the bids were placed with the Navy Department. An estimator from the New York Shipbuilding Corporation testified he prepared detailed cost estimates only on certain ships because he was instructed to do so by his superiors. The committee's star witness was an assistant who had sat in the office of the president of the New York company and heard him discuss with heads of other companies over the telephone which ships each company would like to build and how the bids should be framed to achieve the desired result. Here was first-hand testimony from a man who successfully evaded committee subpoenas for a time and apparently had no personal reason to accuse his former associates.

WATCHING GENEVA

Ever since their "interested observers" brought back news from Geneva in 1927 that disarmament negotiations were breaking down, the private shipyards have found the United States Government their best and almost only customer. With a continually expanding naval building programme, ship firms have been saved from bankruptcy and put on an encouraging footing while industry in general was feeling one of the greatest slumps in history. It would be unfair to draw hasty conclusions on the charges of collusion originally made by a disgruntled shipbuilder who has been unable to get any government contracts for his new company. To avoid such criticism the committee has spent more than two weeks taking testimony on this point. It has been established that the N.R.A. codes can be held responsible for only a small fraction of the jump in prices. Any gaps in the evidence are due to failure of witnesses to appear, conflicting testimony and refusal of a former president of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation to expose himself to possible self-incrimination. The committee is doing its utmost to get at the facts. If the real answer is collusion or meditated evasion of government bidding rules then the \$10,000 being spent by the committee on this phase of its investigation will be saved many times over when cruiser prices are deflated to their normal level.

Versailles Treaty, does somewhat lessen the seriousness of Germany's latest action, irregular though it is. Meanwhile, it is to be hoped that nothing will occur to further aggravate the situation; certainly nothing is to be gained by taking alarmist views of the position or by conjuring up remote possibilities.

PROTECTION FAILED IN BRITAIN

By SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR

THE Protectionists, disappointed by the results hitherto achieved by tariffs, are vociferously demanding higher tariffs—like the victim of the habit-forming drug who demands ever larger doses of his fatal medicine. Yet by every criterion by which the Protectionists chose to invite judgment when they introduced the Import Duties Bill in 1932 Protection has failed. "First of all," said the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "we desire to correct the balance of payments." But already our departure from the gold standard was making an automatic correction—the facility of expecting tariffs to increase exports at a faster rate than imports is shown by a comparison between the figures of our trade for January to November of last year and those of the same months in the previous year—an increase of less than 5 per cent. in exports and re-exports, accompanied by an increase of not quite 10 per cent. in imports. For the "adverse balance" of visible trade is actually increasing while our invisible exports, such as the earnings of our shipping and the interest on our foreign loans, find increasing obstacles in our tariffs and quotas, as our Australian debtors have been forcefully pointing out.

"Then we desire," went on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "to fortify the finances of the country." For the financial year ending last March the yield of the new duties was \$35 millions. This is an increase of only 4.33 per cent. in our National Revenue; and far from using it to "fortify our finances," the Government are frittering it away in subsidies which are in themselves a confession of the failure of their economic policy.

"We propose," continued the Chancellor, "to transfer to our own factories and our own fields work which is now done elsewhere." As regards the transfer of work to our fields, judgment must be given on the figures of agricultural employment which, far from increasing, fell from 829,073 in 1931 to 799,800 in 1934. As regards our factories, employment is, of course, improving here, as in other countries, as the world gradually recovers from the slump; but the people are not being told the truth by Ministers about the British share in world recovery.

A bad example of a half-truth was Mr. Baldwin's recent speech at Bristol when he said that if you compared the figures of the industrial output of various countries during the first six months of 1934 with their output during the first six months of 1923, eight important countries suffered substantial declines, whereas we had scored a slight increase. That was true, of course, but he omitted to mention the other half of the truth—that there had been many other increases in production besides our own, and that while the increase in our industrial output in the period selected by him was only 4.6 per cent., that of Sweden had increased by over 7 per cent., of Rumania by over 16 per cent., of Denmark and Chile by over 23 per cent., and of Japan by over 49 per cent.

Idle shipping, grass-grown quays, impoverished fishermen, bankrupt traders, the collapse into "depressed areas"—at a time when world

trade is improving—of the thriving centres of our export trade, these are the fruits of tariffs and quotas. "We mean also to use it," said the Chancellor, "for negotiations with foreign countries." Yet since we adopted Protection fifteen countries have imposed or increased quota restrictions on the import of British goods and many more countries have increased their tariffs against our exports. The boasted Trading Agreements have been but narrow loopholes drilled in these new and formidable obstructions, the growth of which our tariffs have not availed to prevent but have, on the contrary, stimulated.

"Last but not least," concluded Mr. Chamberlain, "we are going to take the opportunity of offering advantages to the Empire in return for the advantages which they now give or in the future may be disposed to give to us"—a forecast of Ottawa, that breeding ground of tariffs, quotas and dangerous and unedifying dissensions between the Mother Country and the Dominions.

Therefore, judged by every criterion chosen by Mr. Chamberlain himself, the policy of Protection has failed.

There are many powerful forces making for recovery from the slump, and credit should be given to the Government for the restoration of financial confidence, for the debt conversions, and for cheap money. Still more credit should be given to the patience, courage, enterprise and ingenuity of the British people—workmen, employers, trade unionists, merchants, and men and women in every kind of occupation, divided by many differences of abstract theory, but of one resolve, to overcome obstacles, whether created by foreign Governments and competitors or by our own Government, and to make a success of their own job.

It is this spirit, and not the complacency of Ministers, which foreign observers find so admirable. The astonishing and disquieting thing is that in spite of all the conditions favourable to trade revival and in spite of the unprecedented power which we now possess of producing cheaply and in vast quantities all the requirements of civilised existence, the rate of recovery has been slowed down throughout the present year and hardly any impression has been made upon the figures of unemployment during the last half of the year.

The Protectionists tell us to improve trade by increasing the obstacles for it to overcome. If tariffs have failed, the remedy is more tariffs. They would repeat in the sphere of economics the methods of Passchendaele.

It is not by organising scarcity and by reducing supply that the crisis can be overcome and employment restored to our people. The object of policy should be to increase demand by encouraging investment, by reopening the channels of trade, by stabilising exchanges (methods which are inconsistent with the militant conceptions of Protectionist economics), and by directing resources under Government leadership to the improvement of our industrial, social and educational organisation and equipment.

The Very Idea!

THE UNDYING EGG

By Horatio Bogg, Conservative

PINCHING ourself for an idea yesterday, a foki who had just finished a cabled item from Home, called over to us that there were great possibilities in a Chinese egg.

So there were, we told him—possibilities which it was unwise to explore if the egg had to be broken.

Let us not be misunderstood. As a devoted friend of things Chinese, we shall continue to defend their chief representative with ardour, where the question of its honour and integrity is at stake. But the astronomical figures in which the life of a Chinese egg has been calculated, has opened up for us a fascinating field for retrospective inquiry.

A Chinese dinner we had once eaten, had as one of the principal attractions, "Thousand Thousand Years Eggs".

What extraordinary powers for survival does this not indicate—a term which could lightly count the years as days, and span the interval of probably centuries before the eggs appeared in their final form that night at the banquet table?

For all we know to the contrary, the egg we were eating might have been the very one that old Confucius held up to the world of his times as something to be venerated—an emblem of age and longevity?

Or that same egg which could have been Humpty Dumpty in the thousand-year-old nursery rhyme, but was not?

It was characteristically romantic of Bogg (who had been called an egg by readers of this column) that when placed thus side by side with his Chinese prototype, he should feel himself a youngster—a mere stripling by comparison of years. So it is that a respect (which he says he is ready to accord all persons who claim to be his superiors in years) has thereafter prevented Bogg from speaking ill of the Chinese egg.

The only condition he imposes when a practical research is being carried out, is that he be provided with a gas mask.

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Rubber Needs Over-Rated

RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY

DUTCH VIEW POSITION

London, March 19. The *Financial Times* Amsterdam correspondent states that there is considerable surprise in well-informed Dutch quarters that the Rubber Regulation Committee has not yet raised restriction to thirty or thirty-five per cent. It is believed that the Committee has considerably overrated consumption and has overlooked the fact that the peak of the United States' consumption is no longer in March, but in January. It is thought that American consumption for the first quarter will be 132,000 tons, as against an estimate of 140,000 tons, while consumption in the second quarter will be considerably lower. It is further pointed out that German rubber imports for January were twenty per cent. below last year and Italian imports of British rubber will be reduced by twenty per cent. Hence, there is sufficient reason for the Committee to reconsider its position and exert further restriction. *Reuter*.

BRITISH FINANCES SATISFACTORY

BUDGET ESTIMATES ALMOST REACHED

London, March 19. With two weeks to run before the end of the financial year, the latest Treasury returns show that ordinary revenue amounted at March 16 to £681,358,585, which is an increase of £18,022,331 over last week's figures. The estimate for the year is £706,520,000, and the total revenue collected so far is therefore already within about £25,000,000 of Budget expectations. Income tax collected last week amounted to £5,603,000, bringing the total to date to £218,486,000, which is almost within one million pounds of the Budget Estimate for the whole year, of £219,500,000, collected up to the corresponding date of last year. Ordinary expenditure up to March 16 is £275,930,952, compared with £263,495,215 on March 17, 1934. The total estimate of ordinary expenditure for the current year, including supplementary grants, is £715,769,000. *British Wireless*.

DEFENCE AGAINST AIR RAID

(Continued from Page 1.)

less qualified pilots on the active list than the Royal Air Force. The machines at the disposal of the Royal Air Force were inferior to none in design and performance, but technical progress was so rapid that a strenuous re-equipment programme was necessary, in addition to an increase in the total numbers. Sir Philip hoped it would be possible in the future to shorten the time taken to bring new types into production.

MORE AERODROMES

The British aircraft industry was more than holding its own, and the value of its exports in 1934 rose by 31 per cent. Twenty-nine foreign countries were using British aeroplanes, and 33 were using British aero engines. While the expansion of the Royal Air Force necessitated, in the first place, additional stations and aerodromes, and this accounted for the greater part of the increase of approximately 3½ million pounds on the last 1934 Estimates. *British Wireless*.

MOTOR MISHAP

TWO CARS COLLIDE ON PEAK

According to a police report, Mr. Brown, of No. 353 The Punt, was concerned in a motor collision yesterday morning at about 8.15, when, whilst driving to town, his car collided with another car at the junction of Stubbs Road and Magazine Gap Road. No-one was injured, and the collision appears to have been of a minor character, as very little damage is said to have been caused to either of the cars.

Mr. M. J. B. Montargis gave an interesting talk at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday on "A Five Weeks' Trip in French Indo-China and Yunnan".

HELENA MAY CONCERT

GOOD PROGRAMME ARRANGED

A most attractive programme has been arranged for the final musical of the season at the Helena May Institute to-morrow (Thursday) at 5.30 p.m. It is as follows:

1. Prelude and Fugue in C minor
2. Variations in F.....Bach
3. Sonata Characteristique.....Mozart
4. Op. 81A, in E flat.....Beethoven
- (a) Les Adieux, Adagio, Allegro.
- (b) L'Absence Andante espressivo.
- (c) Le Retour: Vivacissimo.
5. Recit: Glus alfin il momento (Now the moment approaches).....Mozart
6. Aria: Non so piu cosa son (I forget what I am, what I'm doing).....Mozart
7. Scherzo.....Mozart
8. (a) Prelude in E minor.....Chopin
- (b) Etude in C minor.....Chopin
9. Asphodel.....Grieg
10. Gavotte, Op. 12.....Harry Ore
- (a) Menuet, Op. 15.....Harry Ore
- (b) Bagatelle, Op. 21 Harry Ore
11. (a) St. Vrain.....Salvatore Rosa
- (b) Twilight Fancies.....Dellus
- (c) My Heart is in Bloom.....Brahms
- (d) A Piper.....Michael Head
- (e) Spring.....C. V. Standford
12. Concerto in E flat.....Liszt

The Orchestral Part played on a Second Piano by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith. Mr. Frederick Mason, L.T.C.L. A.R.C.O., will be the accompanist in the vocal items.

TRADE SLUMP IN SHANGHAI

IMPORT TOTAL FAR BELOW LAST YEAR

Shanghai, Mar. 20. The extent of the business slump in Shanghai is shown by the Customs returns for February, just issued. The total value of imports into Shanghai for the month was \$40,214,926, representing a reduction of \$6,444,375 when compared with figures of the corresponding month of last year, while the total value of exports from Shanghai was \$20,880,963. *Central News*.

ARIYOSHI TO GIVE ADVICE

JAPANESE CHANGING CHINA POLICY

Shanghai, Mar. 20. A previous report that Mr. Ariyoshi, Japanese Minister to China, was preparing to return to Tokyo for the purpose of submitting to the Foreign Office his plan for the orientation of Japan's general policy toward China, has been confirmed by an official report, which states that he will sail for Japan by the s.s. Nagasaki on March 26. *Central News*.

CADOGAN SEES KUNG

Nanking, Mar. 19. Sir Alexander Cadogan, British Minister to China, held a brief interview with Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister, this afternoon. It is officially stated that it was only a courtesy visit, and that no specific problem was discussed. *Central News*.

The local branch of the Mercantile Bank of India has received a telegram from its Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of shareholders a final dividend of 6 per cent. on the "A" and "C" shares will be recommended (making 12 per cent. for the year) as income tax; £10,000 written off Land and House Property and £172,000 carried forward to 1935 account.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

TO BE DOING GOOD IS MAN'S MOST GLORIOUS TASK. *Sophocles*.

The Wing On Co., Ltd., announces that an unusual Spring Sale has been started to-day.

The Rev. Errol C. H. Tribbeck gratefully acknowledges, on behalf of the Committee of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, the following annual subscription and donations to the funds of the Home: Annual subscription, Captain A. J. Holland \$5; Extension fund, Mrs. F. M. Denoon \$50; Lieutenant Colonel H.B.L. Dowbiggin \$10.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held on Monday, March 25, at 5.30, at the Helena May Institute. The Bishop of Hongkong will be in the chair, and the speakers will be Rev. G. W. Sheppard (General Secretary for China of the Bible Society), and Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall (Secretary for South China).

TOWN PLANNING EXPERT

MR. TATHAM LEAVES FOR JAPAN

Mr. C. L. Tatham, well-known civil engineer and town planning expert, who has for some time past been engaged on work connected with the new Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building, left Hongkong to-day for a tour through Japan, having completed his service with Messrs. Logan and Amps. Whilst in Japan, he hopes to gain further knowledge of town planning, and, on his return to the Colony, will decide whether to return to Australia or to remain in the Far East.

Mr. Tatham started his professional career as cadet to the Municipality of Perth, Western Australia, in which he served for three years. He was then for a further period of three years with the Australian Expeditionary Force in France, during the Great War, in which he was mentioned in despatches. In 1918 and 1919, he was with Messrs. Trollope and Colls, London, under Dr. Faber, engaged in design steel work, framing and reinforced concrete. In 1921, he was appointed civil engineer in charge of construction of the Yarraville terminal 50,000 K.V. stepdown station for the 132,000 volt transmission line from Yallourn, Victoria.

In 1923, Mr. Tatham joined the Singapore Improvement Trust, and remained there for six years—one year as assistant and five years as Senior Assistant. Town Planner and Engineer to the Manager. Here he gained much valuable experience in town planning under Mr. E. P. Richards, the first Deputy Chairman of the Trust, whose work has been most successful. In 1927-28, Mr. Tatham secured leave from the Straits Settlements Government to proceed to the London University, where, for two years, he studied under Professor S.D. Adeshead, Past President of the Town Planning Institute.

TOWN PLANNING STUDIES

In 1930, Mr. Tatham studied the latest developments in engineering and town planning in New York City, and in the same year was engaged on a topographical and hydraulic survey for the Greek Government. It is of interest to note that he has studied various aspects of town planning in Greece, France, Germany, New York, England, Singapore and the F.M.S. and is of opinion that town planning is as essential for the East as for the West.

Mr. Tatham holds the certificate of the London University for town planning, is an Associate Member of the Town Planning Institute, and Associate Member of the Institute of Engineers, Australia. When the Great War broke out, Mr. Tatham, having had previous military training in Austria, was given the responsibility of organising the training of infantry reinforcements. In 1916, he was selected by the C.R.E. to organise and train a half company of Pioneers, and when these were ready to join the main battalion he was made senior officer in charge of the transport Battalion, which conveyed some 300 war prisoners from Fremantle to Melbourne. He then proceeded to France, with the rank of Lieutenant, and whilst there his duties included all classes of military engineering—bridges, railway, and gun emplacements, being attached to the Royal Engineers for gas attacks.

WOUNDED IN WAR

During his war service, Mr. Tatham took an active part in the big attacks at Messines, Zonnebeke and the final Somme attack in 1918, having prepared the roads and bridges for the big advance. While in charge of the Company making an advance attack at Bray, in the Somme, he was badly wounded in the face, arm and leg. Mr. Tatham, who rose to the rank of Captain, received special mention in despatches in 1917 for distinguished services and devotion to duty.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Frits in conjunction with *Reuter*. Mar. 18, Mar. 19.

British Government Securities			
War Loan 3½%	redm. after 1932	£108½	£108½
Chinese Bonds			
4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.)		£100½	£100½
4½% Loan 1908		£ 98½	£ 99½
5% Loan 1912		£ 88½	£ 89½
5% Recy. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)		£ 98	£ 98
5% Bonds 1925-47		£ 97½	£ 97½
5% S'hai-Nanking Ry.		£ 82	£ 82
5% Tient-Pukow Ry.		£ 34½	£ 34½
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)		£ 20	£ 20
5% S'hai-Hchow Ry.		£101	£101
5% Honan Ry.		£ 31½	£ 31½
5% Hukwang Ry. 1911		£ 40	£ 40
5½% Lung Tsing U. Ry. 1913		£ 18½	£ 18½
Foreign Bonds and Banks			
German 7% Int. Loan 1924		£ 70½	£ 70½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924		£ 77	£ 77
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924		£ 90	£ 90
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Regd.)		£130	£130
Chartered Bank 5% sh.		£ 15½	£ 15½
Commercial and Industrial			
Allied Iron Foundries		37/-	37/-
Associated Elec. Industries		26/-	26/-
Austin Motors ord. sh.		44/6	45/3
Boots 5/- sh.		48/-	48/-
British-American Dynam. Rubbr.		115/-	115/-
Canadian Colnease Chinese Eng. and Min. (Bearer)		16/-	16/6
Courtaulds		49/1½	49/6
Diallillers		90/9	90/9
Dunlop Rubber		47/6	47/10½
Electric Musical Industries		29/3	29/3
General Electric (England)		48/-	48/-
Impl. Chem. Ind.		30/6	30/3
Impl. Chem. Ind. Def. 10/- sh.		9/9	9/4½
Impl. Tobacco		133/1½	133/1½
Internat. Nickel no par val.		£ 23½	£ 24½
Rolls Royce £1 sh.		103/3	103/0
S'hai Elec. Corp.		167/6	167/6
Tate & Lyle		98/9	99/6
Turner & Newall		53/0	53/6
United Steel		26/4½	26/9
Watney, Combe & Reid ord.		65/6	65/-
Woolworths sh.		101/3	101/0
Miscellaneous			
Anglo-Dutch Charid. 15/- sh.		20/7½	20/7½
(Bearer)		20/9	20/10½
Gula Kalumpung Rubber		20/-	19/6
Pekin Synd. 2/- sh.		1/9	1/9
Rubber Trust		18/6	22/1½
Southern Railway (Deferred)		£ 22	£ 23
Bursa Corp. R.			
10		28/4½	28/3
Chosen Corp.		20/3	20/3
Crown Mines		270/-	271/3
Randfontein		57/-	56/9
Spring Mines		17/9	19/2
Sub-Nigel		270/3	278/9
Van Ryn Deep		69/4½	69/4½
Oils			
Anglo-Persian		46/3	46/10½
Burma Oil		72/6	72/6
Shell Trans and Trad. (Bearer)		47/9	47/6

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by *Reuter* and *Mar. 18, Mar. 19.*

New York Cotton		Clos. 10.	
March	10.29	10.62/02	
May	10.36	10.69/70	
July	10.46	10.75/75	
October	10.67	10.89/89	
December	10.12	10.40/40	
January (1936)	10.10	10.40/50	
Spot	10.08	10.08	
New York Rubber		Clos. 10.	
March	10.02	10.89/89	
May	10.05	10.93/5	
July	10.78	11.03/04	
September	10.36	11.10/20	
October	11.02	11.25/25	
December	11.18	11.38/40	
Total sales—587 lots			
Chicago Wheat			
May	01	81½/91½	
July	01	88½/88½	
September	01	88½/88½	
Monday's sales—20,887,000 bushels.			
Chicago Corn			
May	78½	77½/77½	
July	72½	78½/78½	
September	70	70½/70	
Total sales—12,919,000 bushels.			
Winnipeg Wheat			
May	82½	88½/88½	
July	82½	82½/82½	
New York Oil			
March	1.27½	1.27½/1.29	
May	1.23½	1.27/1.27	
July	1.23½	1.27/1.27	
Total sales—88 lots			
Montreal Silver			
March	59.75	59.10/65	
May	59.75	59.10/65	
July	59.75	59.10/65	
September	60.90	60.40/75	
Total sales—18 contracts			

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay from the Majestic Ballroom

THE MUSIC MAKERS

From ZBW on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles).
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6-6.15 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.
7-7.28 p.m. A Concert.
Pianoforte Solo—Mazurka in E Minor, Op. 41, No. 2 (Chopin).
Pianoforte Solo—Op. 15, No. 7 (Schumann).
Songs—The Almond Tree (Schumann).
Songs—The Mocking Fairy (Beethoven).
Pianoforte Solo—Children's Corner Suite (Debussy).
Pianoforte Solo—Serenade for the Doll (Debussy).
Songs—Myself when young ("In a Persian Garden") (Schumann).
Songs—Silent Moon (Vaughan Williams).
8-8.20 p.m. From the Studio.
A Violin Recital by Conrado de la Cruz, accompanied by Nura Kanis.
Programme:
1. Variationen, Tartinelli-Kreisler.
2. Romanze, Wagner-Wilhelm.
3. Grandmother's Menuet, Grieg-Elman.
4. Spanish Dance Malagueña, Sarasate.
8.20-8.46 p.m. Variety Items.
Humorous—Scientificity of course! Humorous—if you pretend you're Blue.
Margatroyd and Winterbottom.
Piano Melody—Ronald Gourley.
Vocal—Pop-Eyed Pete.
Vocal—Little Mountain Cabin.
The Hill Billies.
Banjo Solo—Keyboard. Kapers.
Mandoline Solo—Mazur.
8.46-9 p.m. Introduction and Allegro for Harp with Strings and Woodwind Accompaniment (Ravel).
9-9.30 p.m. Virtuoso String Quartet.
Light Orchestral Selection.
Dance Waves—Waltz (Ivanovici).
Over the Waves—Waltz (Hosie).
With a Song in My Heart—Symphonic Rhapsody (Eric Coates).
Helena Walters (O'Brien).
Kongre Waltzer (Strauss-Heymann).
Bird Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates).
Gipsy Moon (Borogoff).
9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock & Commodity Quotations.
10.05-10.15 p.m. From the Studio.
Selections by "The Music Makers."
10.15-11 p.m. Majestic Ballroom Dance Orchestra.
10.30 p.m. Press Bulletins, Stock Quotations.
11 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESON PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

SOUTH ASIA ZONE	
South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB, (19.74 metres) and DJN (11.45 metres).	
4.45 p.m. DJB, DJN Announcement (German, English).	
5 p.m. Hummer in the German Folk Song.	
5.15 p.m. News in English.	
5.40 p.m. "When the First Violets Bloom." Variety Programme.	
6.45 p.m. News in German.	
7 p.m. Concert of Light Music.	
8 p.m. News in English.	
8.15 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German, English).	
EAST ASIA ZONE	
East Asia Zone broadcast through DJA on 11.15 metres, and DJN (11.45 metres).	
9 p.m. DJA, DJN Announcement (German, English).	
9.15 p.m. German Folk Song Hummer.	
9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.	
10 p.m. "When the First Violets Bloom." Variety Programme.	
11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.	
11.30 p.m. "The Poem in the Paraglyph." A Radio Opera by Arnold Schell.	
12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.	
12.30 a.m. Close down DJA, DJN (German, English).	

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

To-day's Broadcasting From Four Transmissions.

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are broadcast by Daventry:

Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSD	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSE	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSP	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSS	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GST	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSH	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSI	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSM	1,650 k.c.	180 metres
GSN	1,650 k.c.	180 metres

Transmission 2

(G.S.F. and G.S.D.)
1 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

7.45 p.m. Dance. Marches, as the "Organ" and "Cello."
Greenwich Time Signal at 15 Minutes.
8.30 p.m. The Western Studio Orchestra.
8.30 p.m. An Organ Recital by G. Thibault.

9.45 p.m. The News.
10 p.m. Close down.

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LO BROTHERS' SMART WIN IN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

"M. W." CAPTURES 1929 DRIVING FORM

KWOK AND LUK DING-CHEONG OUT-GENERALLED

KENNETH SHUTE SHOOT HIS BOLT

Thanks to a clever win yesterday M. W. and M. K. Lo will meet the Rumjahn cousins in the open doubles championship for the second time in eight years. The previous encounter was in the 1932 semi-final when the cousins won 6-0, 6-1, 5-7, 6-1.

The forthcoming match is for right of entering the semi-final of the current championship, and if the Lo brothers should be successful, this will be their fourth appearance in the Last Four. They were semi-finalists in 1931 and 1932.

Against Tennis Kwok and Luk Ding-cheong yesterday M. W. Lo produced some of his 1929 form, driving with delightful skill and accuracy and scoring many "outright" points by his adroit placements which in turn found either the middle of the court or the tramlines.

He was very severe on anything short of a length, meeting the ball on the early rise with his short swing forehand and catching his opponents at their feet with fast shots. At the net M. W. flashed out some of his best volleys, obtaining angle without sacrificing force. Behind him M. K. Lo lobbed splendidly and maintained ground stroke rallies in his own imperturbable manner often creating openings for his brother's finishing shots.

WHERE YOUTH FAILED

The losers, despite their youth and enthusiasm did not play with the same understanding. They exposed large gaps of the court when going up to the net and their lobbing was not consistently good. Individually Tennis Kwok was far better than Luk, who suffered a distinct "off day." Luk was not "feeling" the ball and too many times committed errors while poaching.

The clever way in which the Lo's judged the match and applied pressure at the right moment was worthy of such old campaigners and it was in the matter of tactics that they scored so often. On such form the brothers will by no means disgrace themselves against the champions.

Lee Wai-tong qualified to play E. C. Fincher in the third round of the singles by eliminating Kenneth Shute in straight sets.

THE TWINS PASS OUT

Lee took the youngster on face value and without ignoring his first round performance against Drysdale, and his decisive success was therefore ensured. Kenneth held his own quite gallantly in the first set, and was happy while the exchanges were long. But Lee's not invasions were generally well timed and Shute lacked the passing shots to keep the Chinese away from the forecourt.

Shute was fairly outplayed in the second set, Lee tightening up his game to reduce mistake to the minimum.

The young twins now passed out of the 1935 championships, but they have left an impression, and their appearances in future tournaments will be keenly anticipated. That they will progress on the right lines seems fairly well assured and because of this they can expect to do better and better in succeeding tournaments.

Lee Wai-tong was due to play E. C. Fincher to-day, but the match has been put off until Friday in view of this afternoon's exhibitions in which Fincher is figuring.

Affiliated clubs are reminded that the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association is to take place at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room to-morrow evening, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

SHOCK FOR BURNLEY

DEFEATED AT HOME BY HULL CITY

London, March 19. Hull gave Burnley a shock today when they met in a re-arranged second division football match at Burnley.

The visitors, who before the match possessed an inferior record actually won by three goals to one and thereby jumped four places in the league table.—*Reuter.*

Big Badminton Game To-night

RECREIO PLAYING ELIOT HALL

(By "Veritas")

The Club de Recreio are making arrangements to seat 200 spectators this evening for the big badminton league match between the club's "A" team in the first division of the Men's Doubles and Eliot Hall, the powerful University side.

The match has aroused tremendous interest and it is doubtful whether the club will be able to accommodate all of the badminton enthusiasts desiring to see the encounter.

The match starts at half past eight and quite apart from the fact that it brings together the two finest teams in Hongkong, the result is of special significance. Should Eliot Hall succeed in repeating the victory achieved on their own court, the championship is theirs. On the other hand a win for the Recreio will enable them to finish on level terms with Eliot Hall, requiring a play off for the title.

The league is now drawing to a close after a very successful season. It is expected that some time next month the Badminton Association will arrange a special Presentation Night at one of the local clubs, when Champions v. Rest matches will probably be played prior to the presentation of the league trophies.

SOCCER SIDELIGHTS

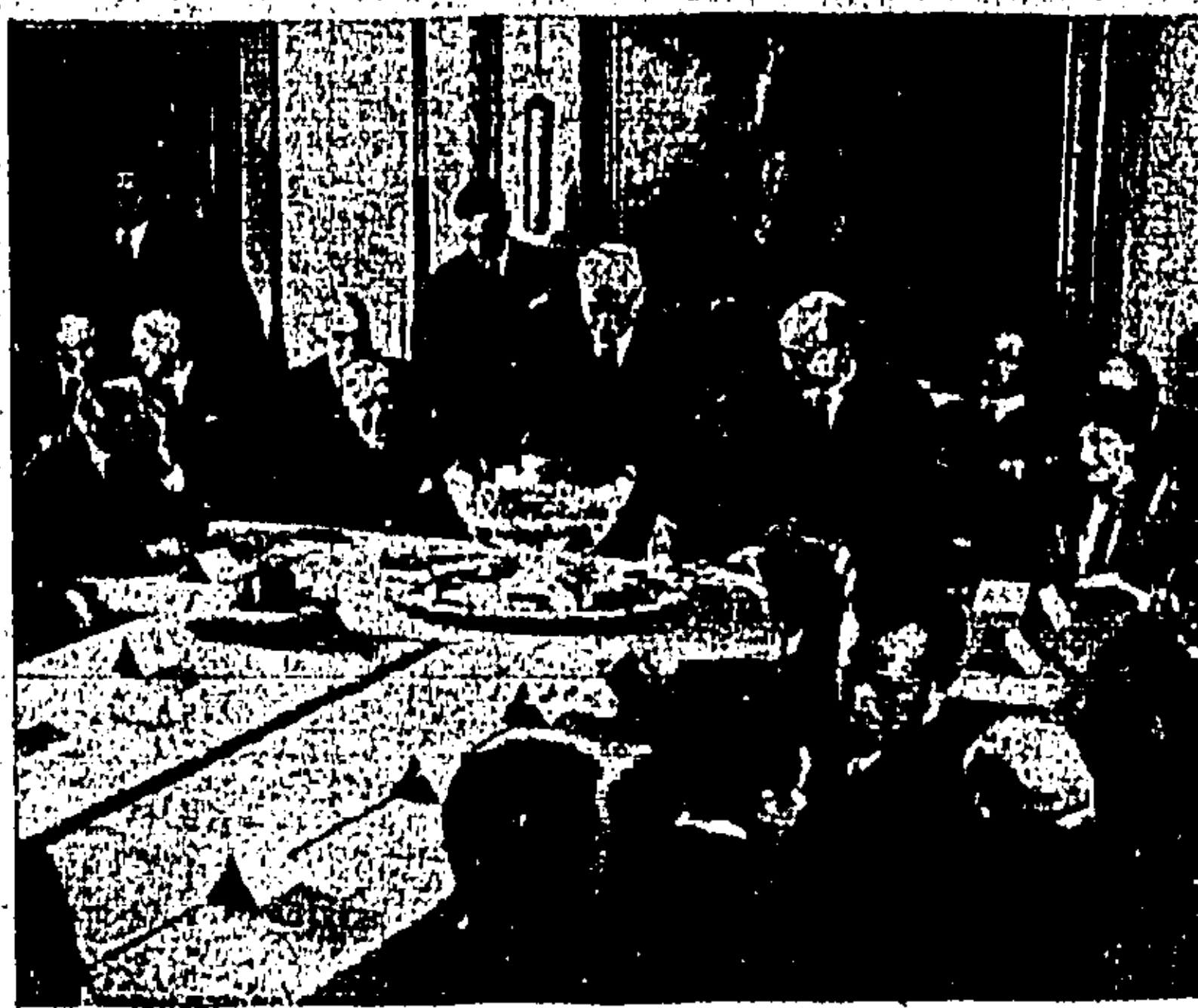
London, Mar. 19.

A long record of splendid service for the Aston Villa team lies before Tom Mort.

who just attained his 37th birthday. He plays the full-back position and plays it well. Mort was born only a few miles from the home ground of the Bolton Wanderers and took a great deal of interest in the home team's fortunes, but the Lancashire club let him slip through their fingers and he was signed up by the Villa. An injury recently placed Mort back in his regular place in the Villa backfield. Danny Blair, the former Toronto boy, who is now team captain, was forced by injuries to take a rest and Mort again went into the first string line. Since his return he has been playing a remarkably strong game and bids fair to be one of Aston Villa's outstanding stars on this year's play.

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Sir Samuel Hoare, President of the Lawn Tennis Association, makes the draw for the 1935 Davis Cup Competition at the India Office, Whitehall, assisted by Mr. H. A. Sabelli, Secretary of the L.T.A., on his left. Mr. H. Roper Barrett, Chairman of the Committee of Management, is seated on Sir Samuel's right, and behind him (seated) are Messrs. F. R. L. Crawford, P. W. Rootham, and F. C. Lohden. His Excellency the Brazilian Ambassador, Senhor Regis de Oliveira, is seated at left of the table, and Lady Maud Hoare at right.

ANALYSIS OF DAVIS CUP DRAW

BIG RESPONSIBILITY FOR TWO JAPANESE PLAYERS

AUSTRALIA FIRM FAVOURITES FOR INTER-ZONE FINAL

A recent issue of *Lawn Tennis and Badminton* contains an interesting analysis of the Davis Cup draw made last month in London, and part of the article is reproduced below:

A glance at the European zone draw shows that once again the luck of the draw has bunched together the stronger nations in the lower half.

There may not be such a strong pairing as that of Australia v. Japan which occurred last year, but Australia must again play through a stiff section if she is to repeat her 1934 performance of winning the group, a feat she may well accomplish with the identical team of last year, reinforced by the great experience of Mr. N. E. Brookes as non-playing captain. Former allies as Australasia, Australia and New Zealand are called on to meet in the first round.

Germany and Italy are also drawn together in the lower half, meeting in the second round, and the tie may well be a severe test. But whichever nation comes through, the result of the lower semi-final will be widely awarded to Australia though it must be remembered that the unexpected sometimes happens to an overseas team which has recently been playing in Europe unaccustomed to hard court play. The defeat of Australia by Italy in the first round a few years ago is a case in point; and last year Australia had to rely on the singles victories of McGrath and Quist to beat France and again over-heat to beat Czechoslovakia and see their team safely into port by margins of 3-2 in both matches. But now that Crawford has shaken off the staleness which affected his play last year, Australian supporters will feel more confident in anticipating two singles points from him in the forthcoming ties, with the knowledge that McGrath is always capable of securing at least one point.

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frequently turns the scale in a Davis Cup match.

AUSTRALIA FAVOURITES

It is early in the year to predict with any certainty the outcome of the later rounds of the competition, yet on current form Australia must be favourites for the European zone, if not indeed as challengers to Great Britain. They possess the best balanced team of all the challenging nations, as their record of last year suggests. They beat Japan 4-1, France 3-2, and Czechoslovakia 3-2; whilst in 1933 their team beat South Africa 3-2 and Japan 3-2, only falling to Great Britain, the ultimate champion nation, at Wimbledon by 3-2. Australia's players have just concluded a highly successful season, winning the singles and doubles in the Australian championships against entries of world-class. Crawford and McGrath have proved that they are the best pairing for doubles in the present team, and if misfortune was to overtake any player while on tour they have Turnbull and Quist as very efficient substitutes as a doubles pair. Moreover both Turnbull and Quist have increased their reputations as singles experts during the winter. Quist was the only player to carry Crawford to a fifth set in the Australian championship, and Turnbull has also consolidated his singles play, if at the expense of his doubles. In short Australia is in the happy position of possessing a team of four, any of whom can fulfil the role of singles or doubles player with the prospect of holding his own international contests.

AMERICA'S PROSPECTS

What of America's chances? Their team is virtually certain to win the American zone and be at hand in England shortly after Wimbledon. The feeling has gained ground in America that the younger generation of their players should now be given an opportunity to come to Europe in quest of the Cup. Though for of circumstances S. B. Wood will probably be the sole survivor from last year's team. Lott and (Continued on Page 9.)

OUR FORECAST FOR SATURDAY

The following is the special Telegraph forecast for Saturday's English and Scottish Football League programmes.

FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL	v	Grimsby
BIRMINGHAM	v	Derby
BLACKBURN	v	Preston
LEEDS	v	Wolves
LIVERPOOL	v	HUDDERSFIELD
Manchester C.	v	SUNDERLAND
MIDDLESBROUGH	v	Tottenham
Portsmouth	v	Everton
WEDNESDAY	v	Aston, V.
STOKES	v	Leicester
West Bromwich	v	Chelsea

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKBURN	v	Port Vale
BRADFORD	v	Southampton
BRENTFORD	v	Oldham
Bury	v	Manchester U.
Fulham	v	BOLTON
HULL	v	Swansea
NEWCASTLE	v	Sheff. U.
NORWICH	v	Bradford C.
NOTTS F.	v	Burnley
PLYMOUTH	v	Notts C.
WEST HAM	v	Barnsley

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

BOURNEMOUTH	v	Brighton
Bristol C.	v	Charlton
Clapton O.	v	Torquay
COVENTRY	v	Queen's P.R.
EXETER	v	Exeter R.
GILLINGHAM	v	Swindon
Millwall	v	CRYSTAL P.
NEWPORT	v	Southend
NORTHAMPTON	v	Cardiff
READING	v	Aldershot
WATFORD	v	Luton

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barnsley	v	DONCASTER
CARLISLE	v	Hartlepool
CHESTERFIELD	v	Chester

TO BEAT THE BOOK

(By "Robin")

HOME:—

Arsenal
Blackburn
Wednesday
West Bromwich
Brentford
West Ham
Exeter
Reading
Watford
Chatterfield
Tranmere
Wrexham

AWAY:—

Bolton
Charlton
Rangers

DRAW:—

Sunderland
Swansea
Doncaster

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION.

Ayr	v	Celtic
Dundee	v	ABERDEEN
DUNFERMLINE	v	Falkirk
HEARTS	v	Queen O'Sth
MOTHERWELL	v	Airdrie
Parkhead	v	Hibernians
QUEEN'S PARK	v	Kilmarnock
St. Johnstone	v	Rangers

OUR "FORM" GUIDE

How Your Team Has Been Faring In League

The following table reveals how each team in the four divisions of the English league have fared to date, the results including their last five more matches up to yesterday. The first figure in each case, of course, is that of the team concerned.

FIRST DIVISION.

Birmingham	3-0	1-3	1-1	1-1	1-2
Derby C.	3-1	2-2	3-1	1-2	1-1
Leeds	4-1	3-1	4-4	3-1	1-7
Aston Villa	0-0	3-2	2-2	4-1	1-4
Chelsea	0-3	0-0	1-1	1-0	7-1
Middlesbrough	1-2	0-1	1-3	1-1	0-2
Leicester	0-2	0-2	2-1	0-0	2-1
Liverpool	3-1	1-2	2-3	0-0	3-5
Portsmouth	2-1	1-2	1-1	1-1	0-2
Preston	0-0	2-0	1-1	0-0	2-0
Wednesday	3-0	1-2	1-1	1-1	1-1
Sunderland	0-0	1-1	3-0	0-0	4-1
Tottenham	0-2	3-1	0-0	1-1	0-0
West Bromwich	1-1	5-3	1-4	0-3	0-1
Wolves	2-5	2-3	2-5	1-1	5-3
Blackburn	1-3	3-3	0-3	0-2	1-1
Arsenal	1-1	2-0	6-0	0-0	2-0
Grimsby	2-3	1-3	3-2	1-3	1-2
Stoke	1-2	0-2	1-4	0-1	1-4
Middlesbrough	3-2	0-3	3-0	1-1	2-0
Everton	2-2	0-3	4-1	1-0	0-2
Manchester C.	6-2	1-1	2-1	4-1	0-0

SECOND DIVISION.

Bradford	4-2	1-2	1-3	2-1	1-1
Brentford	2-1	2-0	0-0	1-0	3-2
Burnley	0-2	0-0	2-2	3-0	0-2
Bury	2-4	1-3	2-7	0-0	1-1
Fulham	2-1	2-1	0-0	7-0	1-1
Manchester U.	0-1	1-3	0-1	0-0	3-2
Notts F.	1-2	0-0	2-1	0-1	0-0
Oldham	0-2	3-1	7-2	1-1	0-5
Port Vale	2-0	6-2	1-1	2-1	2-2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).

Aldershot	1-6	1-1	0-0	1-0	4-1
Brighton	0-1	3-1	3-1	1-3	2-3
Bristol C.	4-1	0-6	0-2	0-0	1-3
Cardiff	1-3	1-3	2-1	0-1	1-1
Clapton O.	2-1	0-1	1-0	0-0	1-1
Coventry	3-1	1-1	3-3	1-0	0-1
Exeter	2-0	0-2	0-4	1-1	0-1
Gillingham	0-2	1-0	0-2	2-0	1-4
Luton	1-0	6-1	4-0	2-0	4-0
Swindon	0-1	0-2	5-3	1-1	1-1
Crystal P.	1-2	1-1	1-0	0-2	1-1
Watford	0-2	1-0	2-0	0-1	5-3
Widford	1-1	2-1	1-2	0-1	2-0
Charlton	2-1	1-2	0-3	2-1	1-0
Reading	2-0	2-2	1-1	0-1	1-1
Northampton	1-1	2-0	3-5	3-0	3-2
Newport	0-2	2-2	1-3	4-0	5-5
Torquay	0-1	1-1	0-1	1-1	1-0
Southend	0-2	2-0	6-0	0-1	0-2
Queen's P.R.	2-0	1-3	2-0	0-0	1-0

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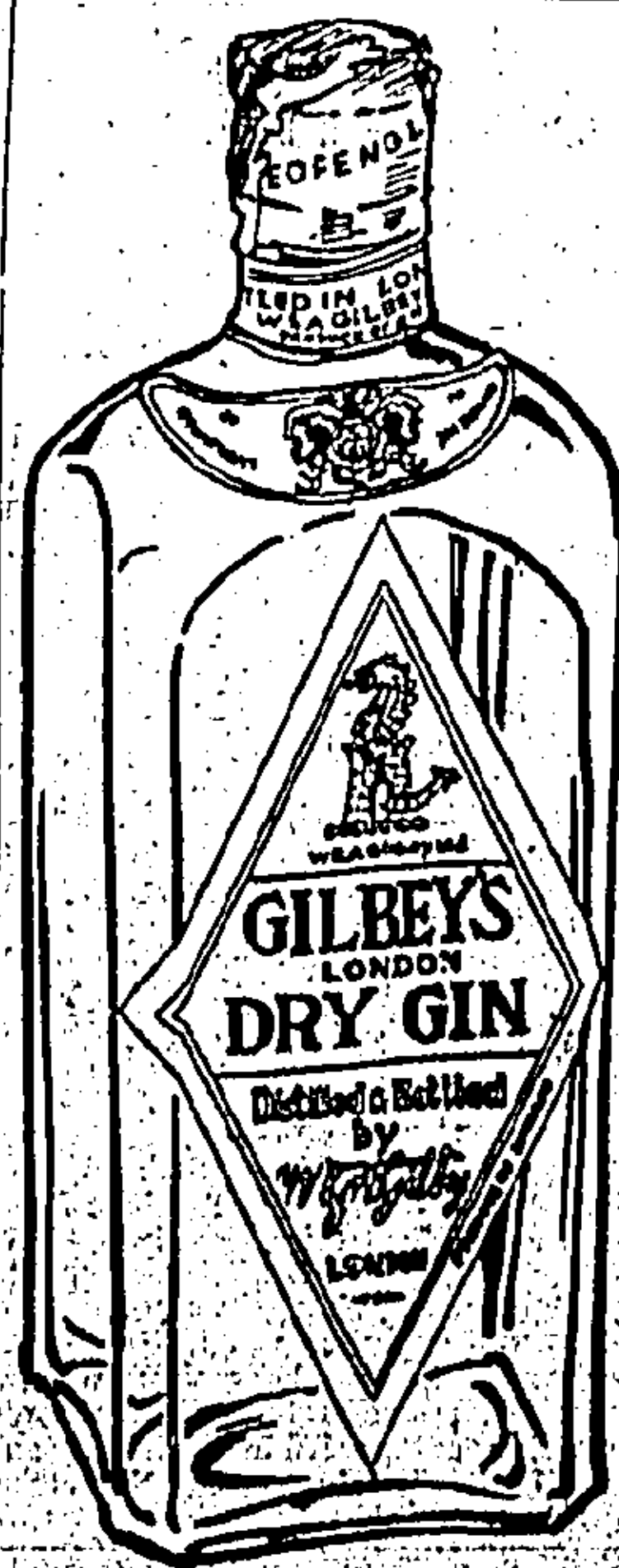
KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The K.C.C. annual tennis tournament for 1935 will be held on the club grounds commencing Saturday, April 6, at 2.30 p.m. Entries close on Saturday, March 30, 1935 at 5 p.m.

The Draw and Schedule of matches will be posted on the Club notice board on Wednesday, April 3. All Competitors must acquaint themselves with the dates and times laid down in the schedule. Failure to play off a fixture according to the time-table may lead to disqualification.

EVENTS

Men's Singles Senior Championship (Best of 5 sets throughout); Men's Singles Junior Championship (Best of 5 sets throughout); Men's Handicap Doubles per pair (Enter in pairs—Best of 3 sets throughout); Men's Handicap Singles (Best of 3 sets throughout); Men's Handicap Singles (Best of 3 sets throughout); Ladies' Singles Championship (Best of 3 sets throughout); Ladies' Singles Handicap (Best of 3 sets throughout); Mixed Doubles Handicap (Enter in pairs—Best of 3 sets throughout).



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Lee Wai-tong, who yesterday beat Kenneth Shute in the open tennis championship.

Man Who Nearly Beat Stefani

KHO SIN KEE ON VIEW TO-DAY

Kho Sin-kee, the Chinese Davis Cup player arrived in Hongkong from Java last night and has consented to appear this afternoon at the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Kho, who is China's reigning national champion, is on his way to Shanghai to join Guy Cheng and L. D. Carson before leaving for the United States to play in the Davis Cup.

This morning the Batavian champion visited the Chinese Recreation Club to have a knock up with Lee Wai-tong, and this afternoon he will play in two matches, a singles against Tsui Wai-pui, and a doubles with E. C. Fincher against the Rumjahn cousins.

Kho has a fine record, but probably his best achievements have been recent until quite recently when he twice played Stefani the ambidextrous Italian Davis Cup player as he passed through Java.

HAD MATCH POINT

On the first occasion Kho was beaten 6-4, 6-8, 6-3, but on the Italian's return, Kho held match point in the second set.

The Chinese won the first set at 6-3 and led 5-4 and 40-30 in the second. Only by a brilliant recovery did Stefani avoid defeat, and he finally won the set at 7-5 and the third set at 6-4.

If Kho produces anything like this form to-day the public are assured of a magnificent display of tennis. Undoubtedly the doubles match will be a fine spectacle.

There is no booking for seats on the stand court this afternoon and all seats will be one dollar including tax.

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ANALYSIS OF DAVIS CUP DRAW

BIG RESPONSIBILITY FOR TWO JAPANESE PLAYERS

(Continued from Page 8).

Stoefen are lost to the amateur ranks, and Shields is pre-occupied in the film industry. In their places we are therefore likely to see newcomers whose reputation has already reached us.

It is stated that six players are to be sent to England this year in quest of the elusive Cup, and the reason may well be that experience has taught the American authorities that New York form is no guide to selecting a team for English courts. Presumably W. L. Allison will return as America's number one, with S. B. Wood, Donald Budge, Gene Mako and possibly J. van Ryn, and Frank Parker. There is no denying that the combination Lott and Stoefen will be greatly missed by America. However good their successors may be it is unlikely that America can nominate another pair capable of winning the doubles at Wimbledon and Forest Hills and the doubles match in the Davis Cup challenge round in the same year.

ALLISON AND VAN RYN

Allison and Van Ryn are probably the next best doubles pair and sent to England would be selected to play. In preference to the inexperienced Budge and Mako, however good their American record may be, America can no longer claim a lien on the doubles match in any tie, however, and for that reason the selection of their singles players must be the more carefully considered. Their team accomplished the unexpected when they made their gallant recovery against Australia from two down to win 3-2 at Wimbledon last year. The indications are that America will again meet Australia in July in the inter-zone final, when another spectacular tie will be anticipated. Some of the finest lawn tennis ever seen at Wimbledon was witnessed when Crawford met S. B. Wood last year. The Australian will be thirsting for revenge if the opportunity is presented for a return match.

OUR "FORM" GUIDE

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Bournemouth ... 3-1 1-2 1-1 1-1 0-4
Millwall ... 0-2 0-0 1-0 1-1 0-1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington ... 4-2 1-5 2-5 0-1 1-0
Crewe ... 4-1 3-7 1-1 1-1 1-1
Darlington ... 2-1 0-0 4-1 1-4 3-1
Gateshead ... 2-1 1-0 3-1 0-2 0-2
Halifax ... 0-5 4-3 0-5 6-2 1-0
Lincoln ... 5-1 1-3 1-4 1-0 2-0
Rotherham ... 2-0 3-0 1-3 6-1 2-3
Stockport ... 0-0 5-1 4-1 2-1 2-1
Tranmere ... 3-3 0-3 0-0 4-1 0-1
Walsall ... 3-0 0-1 0-4 2-2 1-2
Wrexham ... 2-2 5-0 0-2 2-2 1-3
New Brighton ... 1-7 1-4 5-1 2-6 3-2
Doncaster ... 7-1 3-1 4-0 2-3 2-1
York ... 1-3 7-3 0-0 0-2 0-1
Chester ... 1-1 1-3 5-0 1-6 2-1
Mansfield ... 3-2 1-0 1-1 2-1 1-2
Rochdale ... 0-2 0-1 5-2 6-1 1-3
Chesterfield ... 2-0 3-1 1-1 3-2 1-1
Southport ... 1-1 3-4 0-3 2-2 1-1
Carlisle ... 1-2 1-5 2-3 1-2 1-1
Hartlepool ... 4-1 1-1 3-1 1-2 5-2
Barrow ... 3-2 2-1 1-4 1-1 2-5

SPORT ADVTs.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 23rd March, 1935, commencing at 2.00 p.m.
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1935.

Local Hockey

CIVILIAN TRIAL TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW

The next hockey trial for the purpose of selecting the local Civilian team to meet the Shanghai German Hockey Club who are arriving from the North early in April, will be held on the Club ground, King's Park, to-morrow at 5.10 p.m.

The following players have been invited to attend:

Whites:—H. B. M. X. de Souza, E. H. P. White, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, A. S. Ellis, W. A. Reed, G. Parker, G. E. R. Divett, T. S. D. Whitely, Gurbachan Singh, Kalwant Singh and R. A. Carroll.

Colours:—F. Fowler, E. F. Selk, Parduman Singh, E. L. Gosno, J. Gonsalves, E. V. Reed, S. Fowler, G. Fowler, Awtar Singh, J. Pinto (K.I.T.C.), A. P. Sousa, A. E. Remedios, Jagat Singh and W. J. Brown.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

Inter-School Meeting At Caroline Hill

The annual athletic sports meeting for local schools will take place this afternoon and on Friday, commencing at 2.30 p.m. each day. Heats for the Inter-School meet will be decided this afternoon, while on Friday the finals will be run. The meet is being held at Caroline Hill on the South China Athletic Association's track.

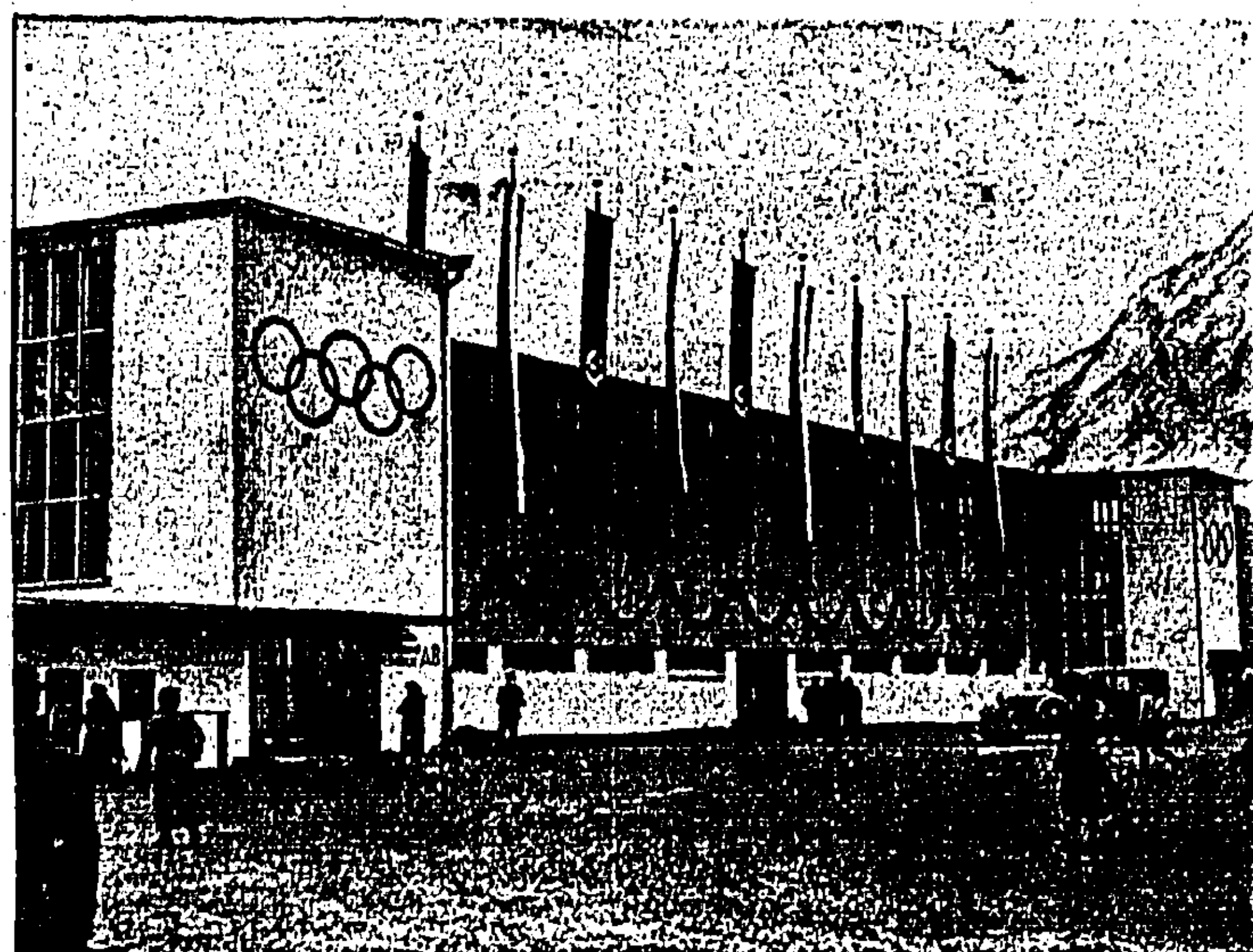
Wanted School Meet

The Wantai Government School is holding its thirteenth annual sports meeting to-morrow afternoon at Caroline Hill. Mr. F. J. de Rome has kindly consented to give away the trophies at 4 o'clock.

FANLING HUNT

Gymkhana On Sunday At Kwanti

By kind permission of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club, the Fanling Hunt will hold a Gymkhana at Kwanti Race Course on Sunday, March 24, at 2.30 p.m. All entries for the various events will be post entries.



View of the entrance to the skating rink and ice hockey ground at the Olympic Stadium at Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

THEY SPLASHED TO NEW WORLD SWIM RECORD



Seattle, Wash., swimmers coached by Ray Daughters of the Washington Athletic Club did have a habit of breaking world records, and here's the newest group to establish a new world swimming mark. Mary Lou Petty, Doris Buckley, Betty Lea and Olive McKean, left to right, churned the water to a new mark of 4 minutes 13.5 seconds in the 400-yard relay event. Five and four-fifths seconds were clipped from the old record.

HONG CRICKET

Hongkong Bank Play Logan & Amps

A keen and interesting cricket match was played on the Central British School Ground at King's Park on Sunday, Messrs. Logan and Amps meeting in the Hongkong Bank eleven much stronger opponents than they have previously encountered.

The Bank, batting first, lost four valuable wickets for under 40 runs, but steady batting by W. H. Riggs (40) and G. C. Moutrie (41) followed by I. H. Bradford's hard hitting, enabled them to declare at tea time with 220 for nine—a formidable score for the construction staff to sit out in the remaining 110 minutes of play. Bradford had 44 before being bowled.

Scoring started slowly, two wickets falling early. R. Griffiths made a stand, although he only scored 10 and then G. T. Anderson (28) and F. Smith (65) took the score to 150 for three. With only 20 minutes to play there began an exciting scramble for runs. Runs came and wickets went but time was too short and with the score at 204 for eight the game ended in a draw.

Mrs. Crappell, wife of Mr. F. H. Crappell, Secretary of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., returned from England yesterday.

OSLO CABINET

COMMUNIST LEADER AS PRIME MINISTER

Oslo, Mar. 19. The Communists are in power in Norway.

Johan Nygaardsvold, leader of the Norwegian Labour Party, has formed a new Cabinet, including himself as Minister for Labour, as well as Prime Minister.

Professor Haldan Koht is the new Foreign Minister, M. Gustave Andreboe, Minister of Finance, and M. Monsen, Minister of Defence.

The Norwegian Labour Party was united with the Social Democratic Party in Norway in 1927 and is a Marxist party, aiming at the establishment of a Socialist community. This cannot, in the opinion of the party, be achieved only by parliamentary means, but also by a class war, resulting in the complete dominance of the workers. The party, however, does not adhere to any of the Labour International.

KARACHI RIOTS

POLICE FIRE ON MOSLEMS

Karachi, Mar. 19. Nineteen were killed and many injured to-day as a result of police firing on a turbulent Moslem crowd, following the execution in the local gaol of one Abdul Quayam, for murdering a Hindu.

The Hindu is alleged to have written an offensive work about the prophet Mahomet.

A large gathering of Moslems demonstrated in sympathy with Abdul Quayam, when his body was removed to the burial ground. After the burial, huge excited crowds of Moslems rushed to the grave, exhumed the body of Abdul Quayam and attempted to carry it in procession.

LAVAL FOR MOSCOW

THREE POWER CONFERENCE ENVISAGED

Paris, Mar. 19. It is reliably reported that the Cabinet has tentatively decided to send the Foreign Minister, M. Laval on a rush visit to Moscow.

M. Laval will arrive in Moscow on March 27, in order to transform Mr. Anthony Eden's visit into a Three Power Conference.

It is believed possible that M. Laval's negotiations with the Kremlin will result in the conclusion of an Eastern European Pact, based on mutual military assistance. Germany will not be included in this new Pact.

It is expected that the Pact will be concluded between Russia, France and Czechoslovakia. It is hoped that Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania will join soon and that Poland will ultimately adhere.

GRAND NATIONAL

Another Two Horses Scratched

London, Mar. 19. According to the trainer of Noleau, the horse will not run in the Grand National.

Glen Hazel was officially scratched at 11.5 a.m. to-day.—*Reuter*.

The police intervened, whereupon the crowd started to throw stones and other missiles.

The military was called out when persuasion failed to disperse the rioters.

Police officials say that up to the present, 19 are known to be dead and 69 wounded have been taken to the Government Civil Hospital, which is heavily guarded by police.—*Reuter*.

It is now understood that the total casualties exceed 200.

After the first military volley, a panic ensued, during which the police secured the murderer's body which was re-interred. A military guard with fixed bayonets has been stationed at the grave.—*Reuter*.

KING'S OUTBURST

ABYSSINIA WILL NOT BE BULLIED

London, Mar. 19. The tense situation in East Africa, precipitated by alleged incursions of Ethiopian troops into Italian Somaliland has been aggravated by a bitter outburst by the Emperor of Abyssinia against Italy's preparations for hostilities.

Interviewed at Addis Ababa to-day, the Ethiopian Monarch declared that Abyssinia would not be "bullied" by Italy into apologising for wrongs which she had never committed.

"Ethiopia and Italy are bound by international agreements and treaties to exhaust every possible measure for obtaining a settlement," said the Emperor. "Ethiopia intends to do so but we will not be coerced or intimidated by military preparations into according the satisfaction which Italy demands."

The Emperor alleged that the charge that Ethiopian troops are massing at Ongden, on the border of Italian Somaliland are imaginary. Even before an appeal was made to the League, he said, orders were given to withdraw all troops except garrisons at the posts. These orders had not been modified since.

The Emperor characterised as "pure fiction" the Italian allegation that Abyssinian troops had tried to surround Italian troops at Afduh on February 2. Afduh was not even garrisoned at the time. He asserted that although the Italians had re-occupied it soon afterwards, "all such pretended incidents are merely pretexts for Italian military preparations. The Ethiopians are confident that world opinion generally will support their attitude," he concluded.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

Three cases of Small-pox with one death (one imported), six cases of Diphtheria with three deaths, six cases of Typhoid with one death, four cases of Meningitis with one death, and 68 deaths from Tuberculosis, were reported to the local Health authorities last week. On Monday one case each of Small-pox, Diphtheria and Meningitis were also reported.

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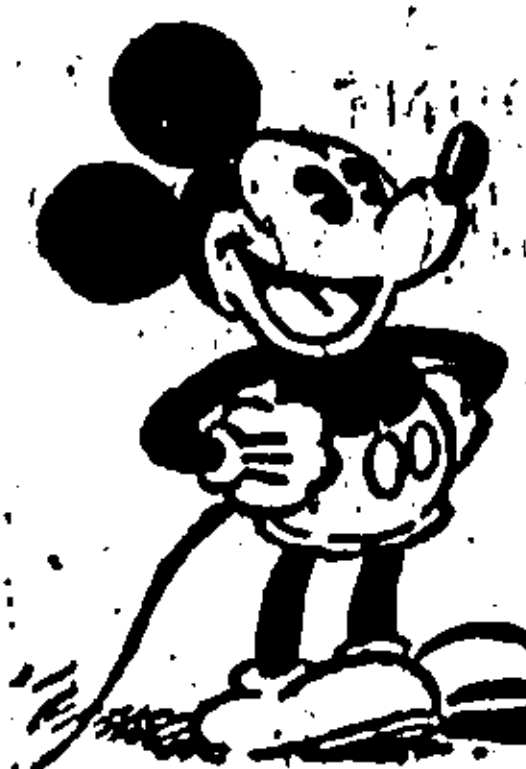


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WEST POINT FIRE

WOMAN'S DRAMATIC ESCAPE
DOWN STAIRWAY

Fire Brigade officers gave evidence yesterday at the resumed hearing of the coroner's inquiry into the death of Chan Kiu, a 70-year old woman, who had apparently met with her end as a result of a fall while trying to escape during a fire at No. 1 Belcher Street on the night of February 25.

A woman inmate of the top floor of No. 1 Belcher Street also told the court how she escaped with her little daughter by means of the stairway when the alarm was first raised, while her husband and other children had made their escape by climbing down the verandah supports.

The jury comprise Messrs. W. S. Hillier (Foreman), A. F. Paul and F. X. Remedios.

Young Ping-wai, sub-officer at the Central Fire Station, said they received the first message at the station at 4.06 on February 25. The No. 1 appliance and crew were turned out, and on arrival at the scene of the fire, he saw the two upper floors of the adjoining building alight. He gave orders for the pump to be run to the sea, and ran to Beach Street to see people and the first floor crying for help. He went back to the engine and ordered his men to get the double extension ladder and put it against the first floor. He then went back to the Kennedy Town station and sent a district call to the Central Station. On arriving back at the scene of the fire, he found the ladder had been placed against the first floor, and a fireman had gone up. A man came down first, followed by two women, and he then saw another man with a baby in his arms, come down to the first floor from the second floor by means of the verandah supports. The man handed the baby to the fireman, and came down the ladder, to be followed later by the fireman with the baby.

Woman With Two Babies

Shortly after this rescue, on looking up, he saw a woman, carrying a baby in her arms, and another on her back, coming down the verandah supports from the second floor to the first. But when she was in the middle of both floor, she lost her hold and fell into the street. A few minutes later, he heard a thud, and found that a woman had fallen into the street, but he did not know from which floor she had come. She was about 70 years old. He saw that she was badly injured, and unconscious, and on feeling her forehead, found she was dead.

The other fire engines arrived about this time, and he got a fireman to take a hose to Beach Street and keep the fire down there. No. 5 was then involved. Three engines arrived from Central, and they got their water from the hydrant. When he first arrived, the water mains were not open, and it was not part of his duty to get them turned on. Everybody had been rescued by this time. He did not see anyone using the fire-escape, nor did he see anyone escape from the stairway at No. 1 Belcher Street. He did not understand why the fireman, who went up the ladder, did not show the occupants the way down by means of the stairs. No jumping sheets were used, and none were kept at the station.

Superintendent's Evidence

Mr. H. T. Brooks, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, next detailed the action taken on receipt of the report of the fire. When he arrived at the fire about ten minutes after the first call, he found the two upper floors of four buildings, Nos. 1, 3, 3A and 5 Belcher Street, well alight. He also saw a woman lying in Beach Street at the corner of No. 1 Belcher Street. She appeared to have come down from the top floor. She was dead. After having given directions for fighting the fire, he sent out a Brigade call, which brought over a fire appliance and another fire boat from the Kowloon side. A luge and two jets were used to extinguish the fire, and five motor pumps, three pumping water from the sea, and two from hydrants. The fire was under control at 5.51 a.m.

Witness further stated that all the four buildings communicated with each other, and that accounted for the fire spreading. Moreover, the wood-work was tinderous and thin, and made the fire a very fierce one. The upper part of the staircase to the third floor, from where the woman was supposed to have come, was burned through. The fire in the four buildings collapsed either just before or just after the arrival of the fire engines. The fire had been in progress for some considerable time when they arrived, and rescues had to be effected quickly. He was of the opinion that the fire started on the third floor of No. 3 Belcher Street, which was used by tea merchants, and it was probable they were drying tea there. This had been the cause of many fires. Jumping sheets would have been of no service, as 24 men would be needed and from the height of 55 feet, rescues would be doubtful. The third and second floor verandahs were obstructed with iron sheets. Had they not been obstructed, the woman could have got to safety.

Escape Down Stairs

Chan Tim, married woman, principal tenant of the top floor of No. 1 Belcher Street, living with her husband, three daughters and a son, said that the deceased occupied the second cubicle. A man, Cheung Kau with a large family, occupied the front cubicle. Galvanised sheets were used to divide the verandah, and the spaces were used for storing.

Witness described how she was awakened by the cries of fire. She ran to the stairway, and saw flames coming towards the floor from the adjoining floor, although the partition separating was not of fire. She escaped with her little daughter by crawling down the stairs. Her husband and other children climbed down the verandah supports and so escaped. Owing to the smoke she did not see her way down the stairs until she got to the second floor, where she

COLONY'S MONEY

VOTE OF \$50,000 FOR
SILVER JUBILEE

A total of over \$70,000 will come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon in the form of votes, including \$50,000 for the Silver Jubilee celebrations and \$10,000 for the home for aged poor.

The memorandum explaining the items state:

Estimates, 1935.

Police Force:—40, Polishing Equip-

ment \$37.

Provision made in Estimates (page

40 sub-head 40) \$560.

The amount provided in Estimates

has proved insufficient as the cost

of the installation of the electrical

apparatus for the Polishing Machine

was under-estimated owing to the

connections having to be made with

iron and switches and fuse boxes

instead of the ordinary power-plug.

A supplementary vote for \$87 is re-

quested.

Sanitary Department:—Special

Expenditure: Pier at Apichau Is-

land \$1,600.

Recent exhumation from Chinese

Cemeteries is now being carried out

entirely by the Sanitary Department.

It is necessary to transport the urns

and headstones to the far side of

Apichau Island and a short pier is

necessary to facilitate the landing

of these materials. The cost is

estimated at \$1,600. This expendi-

ture was not foreseen last year.

The above is to be met from savings

under Sanitary Department (1935

Estimates page 67 sub-head 30)

Miscellaneous Services:—Silver

Jubilee Celebration \$50,000.

The Committee appointed in con-

nection with the local celebration of

His Majesty's Silver Jubilee estimates

that a sum of \$50,000 will be re-

quired to cover the expenses of the

celebration on a scale considerably

more modest than on similar occa-

sions in the past and yet worthy of

the position of the Colony.

A supplementary vote for this

amount is requested.

Charitable Services:—II, Little

Sisters of the Poor \$10,000.

Provision made in Estimates (page

92 sub-head II) \$890.

The Little Sisters of the Poor have

applied for a grant in connexion

with expenses incurred in extending

their buildings for the housing of

the aged poor. Government had con-

ditionally promised a sum of \$10,000

as a partial offset towards these

expenses but no provision was made

in this year's estimates, as it was

not known when the amount would

become payable. The Government

considers that the amount should

now be paid and a supplementary

vote for \$10,000 is accordingly re-

quested.

Sanitary Department:—42, Special

Expenditure: 3, Towing Barges

\$9,750.

Provision made in Estimates (page

67 sub-head 42) \$30,000.

In the Sanitary Department Es-

timates for 1935 provision is made

under sub-head 40 for two deep draft

barges \$22,000, and under sub-head

42 for three towing barges \$30,000.

Since the Estimates were prepared

the refuse dump at Kun Tong has

been opened and refuse is now dump-

ed there and not at sea. All the 6

barges are therefore required of the

same type. The contract price for

supplying 5 towing barges is \$39,750.

A supplementary vote of \$9,750 is

therefore requested.

The vote of \$22,000 under sub-head

39 will not be required.

The above is to be met from

savings under Sanitary Department

(1935 Estimates page 67 sub-head

39).

Total \$71,887.

came more clear. The first persons to escape from the floor were the sub-tenant, his wife and two children from the second cubicle. They too went down by the stairs. The occupants of the third cubicle also made their escape that way. She did not see deceased before she left, and did not know whether she was awake or asleep. No one else could have escaped down the stairs after her, because the fire was already coming through from the adjoining floor. The hearing was then adjourned until 2.30 p.m. on March 22.

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MR. J. L. MCPHERSON

Speaking at a farewell dinner in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.B.E., given at the Kam Loong Restaurant last night, Mr. David Au-Wai-kwok, President of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association, said that much of the progress of the Association, both spiritual and material, they owed to the untiring efforts of Mr. McPherson.

Mr. McPherson completed 30 years of service with the Association on March 14 and is leaving for England on retirement on Friday. He is General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and has been associated with the Chinese Y. M. C. A. in the capacity of Advisory Secretary. There was a large gathering of members and their friends at last night's function.

Among those present were the Revs. Yung Ting-sang, Ho Sum-yu, Li Kau-yan, Wong Oi-tong, Cheung Chuk-ling Messrs. Wong Kam-ying, Sun Che-hing, Szeto Chung, Yeung Shiu-chuen, A. Allen, Chiu Kam-iao, Cheng Jon-sing, Ma Ying-biu, Ngan Shing-kwan, Wong Sum-kan, Lam Chik-sing, Ma Wing-charn, Ng Tung-kai, Wong Mau-lam, Kwong Hong-chiu, Chak Tai-kwong, Wong Cheong-lam, W. C. Young, Ho Tak-on, Wm. C. H. Chan, Ko Sik-wai, Wong Wai, Fung Yiu-kan, Ho Yan-tak, Cheng Chung-leung, Kwok Pui-cheung, Fung Iu-wing, Li Yuk-tong, Chan Tat-sam, Lau Ding-sam, Lam Chi-fung, Phoon Seck-wah, Mann K. Wong, P. C. Kwok, Ngan Kwan-yu, Lee Ka-fun, Lo Chuk-fan, Cheung Lo-kau.

At the official table there were seated nine of the Association's oldest members, including Mr. McPherson, their ages totalling 627 years.

Mr. E. H. Munson, South China Divisional Secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., paid a warm tribute to the work done by Mr. McPherson during his long stay in China. The speaker compared Mr. McPherson with St. Augustine and added that his work has left a great and lasting impression. He wished him a happy reunion with his family and expressed the hope that "Mac" would return to Hongkong to continue his splendid work.

President's Speech

Proposing the toast of the guest of honour, Mr. Au Wai-kwok, addressing the gathering said:—We are gathered here this evening to do honour to one who is leaving Hongkong after having been associated with us and identified with the work of the Y. M. C. A. for the past thirty years. It is particularly difficult for me to propose this toast for parting is a sad thing, and it is at times like this that one wishes one has the gift of silver-tongued orators to express one's innermost thoughts. Then again, our guest of honour has done so much to carry forward the work of the Y. M. C. A. in Hongkong that it is impossible to eulogise him in adequate words.

Thirty years is quite a long record for any one to be associated with one institution. In his period of long service with the Y. M. C. A., Mr. McPherson has seen many changes. He has seen the Chinese Y. M. C. A. grown from a little apartment on the site of what is now known as King's Theatre to its present spacious quarters in Bridges Street. He has seen the expansion of the Y. M. C. A. work to Kowloon where our work is now housed in a modern building in Waterloo Road. He has seen the membership increased from hundreds to thousands; he has seen even a second generation of Directors and a third generation of members. Above all, he has seen the Y. M. C. A. work being appreciated by the community.

One may ask at this stage, what is Mr. McPherson's reward for all his labours? It is true that in recognition of his noble services, he was decorated recently by H. M. the King with the order of M. B. E., an honour which we all share, but I think Mr. McPherson's true reward lies in another direction. His reward is the host of friends he will leave behind and the light which will forever shine from the Y.M.C.A., the living monument of his creation.

Mr. McPherson is leaving us for his well-earned rest. But I prefer to say au revoir than goodbye for I have a hunch that he will come back to us again. May his return witness another step forward in the work of the Y. M. C. A. in this Colony.

Mr. McPherson, your many friends in the Association are reluctant to even bid you farewell but they all realise that you are entitled to your respite. They want you to accept this souvenir as a token of their love, respect and esteem. (Applause).

Mr. Au, amid applause, then handed Mr. McPherson a silver coffee set, the gift of the Association; carved ivory, the gift of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. day school teachers and pupils; and a silver frame with

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Mr. Au also announced that the Board of Directors had elected Mr. McPherson to be a permanent Honorary General Secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Mr. McPherson's Reply

Replying, Mr. McPherson said: Mr. Au and Friends, I wish to thank you very sincerely for giving me this farewell party to-night, for the beautiful presentation you have arranged for me, and for the very kind words you have said with reference to my work on behalf of this Association.

It is true that my connection with the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hongkong has been very long—for my first two years in the Colony as a voluntary teacher of English in the day school, and since 1907 as a member of the secretarial staff. It is also a fact that during those thirty years the Association has made great progress not only in the multiplying of its facilities by the erection of buildings in different parts of the Colony, nor in a considerable increase in the number of its members, but, more important still, in the scope and variety of its work for the young men and boys of Hongkong.

This Association has ever been a pioneer in the launching of schemes for community betterment, some of which schemes have been adopted and furthered by other institutions. But it is too generous of you to attribute this development solely or even principally to my efforts. As I look back over the years I can see a whole procession of able and devoted men both in the lay membership and in the secretarial staff who have united their efforts for the common good. It is because of this united endeavour on the part of so many that the growth has been steady and uninterrupted.

On the Board of Directors, this Association has had so many men of ability and devotion that it would be impossible to speak of one without having to name scores of others. Some of them have been taken from us, but others are still here, continuing their interest and support. I should like to mention this, however, that your revered father, Mr. Au, was one of the best friends this Association has ever known, and it is pleasing indeed that his son is following in his footsteps.

It has been a real joy and privilege to have had a small part in this work, and I shall never forget that together we have shared in a number of difficulties and in its triumphs.

I feel confident that this Association, under its present able leadership, is now entering upon a new era of prosperity and I confidently anticipate hearing of its continued growth.

Further Eulogy

Mr. Lam Chi-fung, a former President of the Association, also spoke. He said:—Members and Friends of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association: I have the honour to address you this evening on the occasion of this farewell dinner given in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.B.E., on retirement after 30 years' service in the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association.

Much of the good work of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association is due to Mr. McPherson's inspiration and untiring effort. When he first came to Hongkong, the Association was a small institution. It did not own its premises, but instead carried on activities in rented quarters. Now, the Association owns three large buildings with modern equipment conducive to moral, mental, and physical welfare of young men. From a few members it has grown to 2,500 in membership. Much of the progress, both spiritual and material, of the Association, however, is owed to his continuous up-building and constructive service. It is now the leading institution in Hongkong.

Mr. McPherson completed his 30 years of service on March 14 and he is leaving for England on Friday. We will miss him very much, but he will be long remembered as one of the outstanding Hongkong personalities who made all wish Mr. McPherson bon voyage. (Applause).

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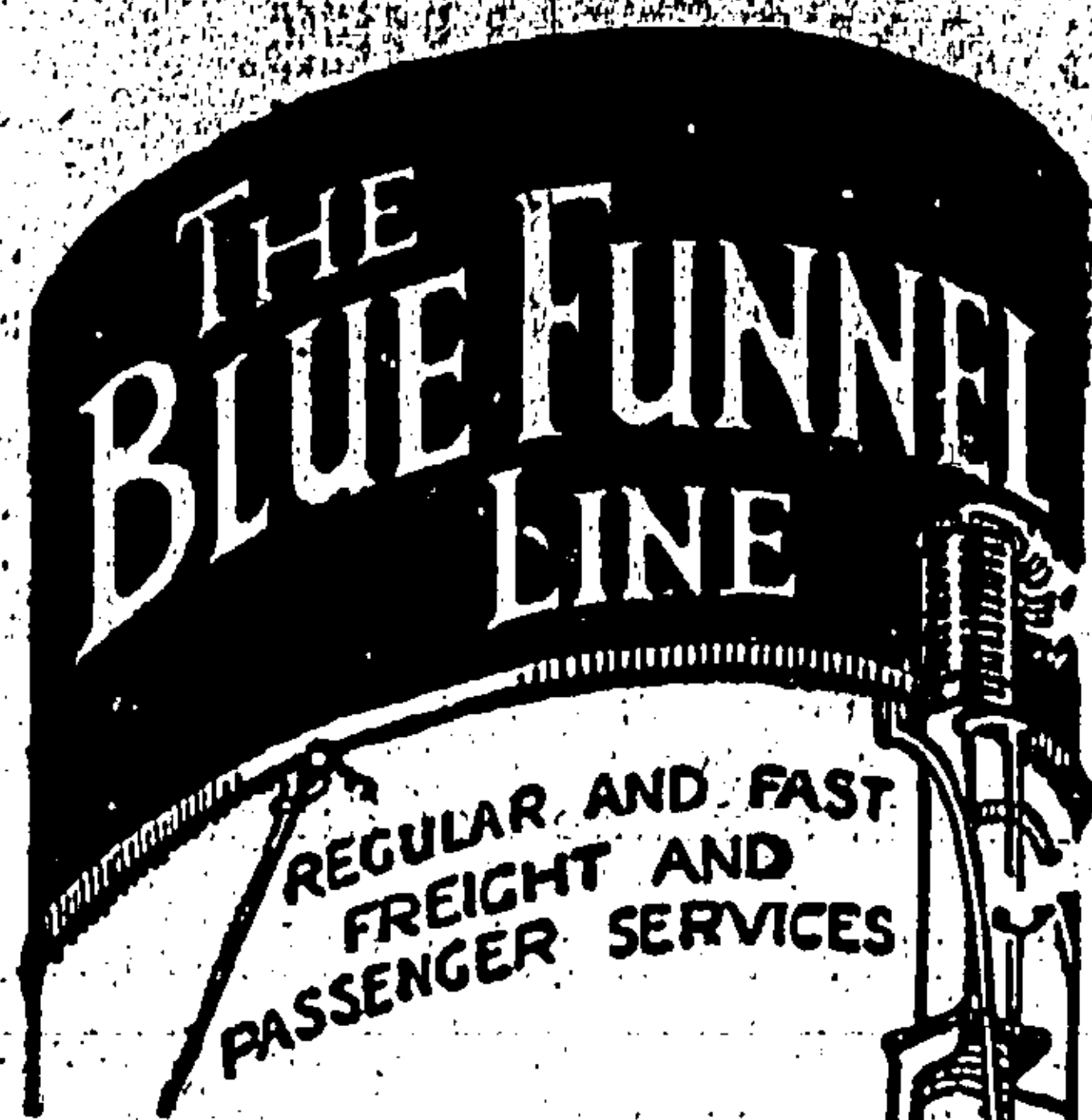
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GALE HENDERSON, pretty and 23, works in a silk mill. She and her 19-year-old brother, PHIL, support their invalid father, STEVE, who also works in the mill. Gale is to marry him. She promises to give him an answer in a few days. Gale sees skating through the ice and is rescued by BRIAN WESTMORE who is a friend of her father's. VICKY THATCHER, daughter of ROBERT THATCHER, several managers of the mill, schemes to seduce Brian. LEOTA MILLER, another employee, tells Gale the mill workers are planning to organize and demand their rights. She asks Gale to come to meeting and Gale agrees. Later she hears that Leota is a communist. Steve brings Gale some roses, apologizes and asks her to forget that they quarrelled. She agrees.

CHAPTER XX

Brian Westmore skated slowly, hands in pockets, the tip of his cigarette glowing in the darkness. As far as the bend in the river where the big cottonwood hung out over the ice he went, then turned back. He had made the trip three times within the last half hour.

Brian skated close to the river bank, in the shadows. Now and then he looked back, but there was no one in sight. He had the river to himself until he drew near the boat house. There were other skaters there—a number of boys playing hockey, half a dozen young girls, several couples and a dark youth cutting figures on the ice.

One of the hockey players went down and there were shrill cries and laughter. Brian circled the edge of the crowd, his eyes on the place where the boat came down past the boat house to a sort of wharf. That was where most of the skaters sat to put on their skates. He watched the place and suddenly a girl in a short, dark jacket and a scarlet cap appeared.

Brian moved forward—and then swung back. There was another figure behind the girl, the figure of a man. A minute later the two started across the ice and Brian saw that the girl was not so tall as he had thought, nor so slender.

"She isn't coming," he told himself. No, Gale Henderson wasn't coming. He'd been telling himself that for 15 minutes and yet he waited. Brian tossed his cigarette aside, turned and made his way up the river bank. The wind was cold and for a while he skated briskly to warm himself. He reached the turn in the river and once more doubled back. This time would be the last. If he didn't see her this time—

All day long Brian had been looking forward to seeing Gale Henderson, saving things to tell her. He couldn't forget the girl. It wasn't that she was so pretty, though of course she was that, too. But he wanted to talk to her. He felt he could talk to her. Brian, during the past few days, had discovered that there were plenty of people to dictate letters to; there were plenty of dictating conferences and to present reports and tables of figures, there were plenty to attend his mother's dinner parties but there was almost no one to talk to.

The men at the mill, heads of departments and their assistants, were all older than he was. When Brian wanted to make a suggestion he was aware of this, aware, too, that they were experienced and he was not.

not. So he listened and, once or twice, when he spoke about something, the others were attentive and respectful but before long the discussion was going on just as it had and somehow Brian's suggestions were overlooked.

He'd tried getting acquainted with some of the younger men, the assistants, but that hadn't turned out very well either. Gale Henderson was the only one about the mill who had really treated him like a human being. He wanted to tell her about that pension plan he'd worked out and see if she thought the employees would like it. He felt he knew Gale Henderson well, that they were old friends, though he'd only talked to her once. Perhaps that was because they'd been at school together.

He passed the place where they'd had their campfire the night before. The snow was dark and luscious now. And there was a slender figure wearing a short skirt and leather jacket skating toward him. There was no one at all in sight.

Brian told himself again, "She isn't coming." This time when he reached the boat house he took off his skates and walked down the road to the place where he had left his coupe. He got inside and turned the car about and started for home. Half way there he changed his mind and made a turn left. His mother was home and he didn't want to see her. He could drive to the club and see if anything was happening there or he could look up Ted Blinbridge.

Brian decided to do none of these things. A better prospect presented itself. He'd drop in at Thatchers. If Vicky were home he'd be assured of agreeable company. Vicky was a good sort—just the one to get him out of this moodiness.

A maid in uniform answered his ring and said yes, that Vicky was in. Brian said, "Where is she—in the living room?" "I'll get in," she said. He turned into the large room at the left. Vicky was there, slim and picturesque in emerald velvet, with one arm stretched against the back of the davenport. Her dark hair was sleek and shining, her lips a sulky blue.

A young man sat facing her. He was a tall young man with wavy reddish hair and his features were pleasant enough but it was clear that the young man was not pleased about something. "But look, Vicky—" and then stopped, seeing Brian.

"Vicky was on her feet at once. "How sweet of you! I'd begun to think you'd buried yourself in that mill. Come and tell us how the wheels of industry are turning." "Greg," he said, "hasn't risen, too, but he was not smiling. "Hello, Brian," he said rather curtly. "How's your Hope you don't mind if I run along?" "Oh, but—see here!" Brian began.

"Greg was just leaving," Vicky assured him. "He doesn't find me sufficiently interesting to-night. Really I think heaven must have sent you, Brian, to keep me from spending a poky evening alone."

She turned toward the other man. "Good night, Greg," she went on. "Give me a ring, won't you, to-morrow about 4? Don't call me earlier because I'm going shopping with Claire."

"You're sure I'm not interrupting," Brian asked.

Greg Harmon said, "No—got to be on my way. Got some things to see about. All right, Vicky, I'll call you."

He was gone. Vicky sank back on the davenport, leaning her head against her open palm. The loose sleeve fell back, revealing a slim white arm. "Thank goodness that's over," she said dryly. "Give me a cigarette, Brian. I feel the need of one."

"You, Vicky? What on earth have you been doing?" The girl's eyes regarded him pensively. "It's Greg," she said. "I don't know what I'm going to do about him."

"Well—"

She shook her head. "Greg's getting to be a problem, Brian. Honestly, I don't know what to do. Just because I've gone around with him a little—playing golf and riding horseback and now and then going to parties—he seems to think I haven't any right to go with anyone else. It's ridiculous! And whenever I say anything he gets the way he was to-night—sullen and simply unbearable."

Brian shook his head, smiling. "The perils of being an irresistible charmer, my dear!" Vicky pouted. "You can laugh," she said, "but it isn't very funny to me." Suddenly she stopped and the dark eyes grew rounder. "Oh," she said, "I've just thought of something."

"Animal, mineral or vegetable?" She made a deprecating little movement with one hand. "I'm serious. Really I am." She went on, her voice touched with excitement. "But I don't see why it wouldn't work! Brian, will you do something for me?"

"Maybe I'd better hear about it first."

"It's nothing that would be so terribly hard—at least I don't think it would be. Just to take me to a few parties and be seen with me. Oh, it's the very thing! Would you, Brian? Would you do that?"

"See here, I don't know what you're getting at."

"It's about Greg," she explained. "Don't you see that if you begin taking me places and—sort of seem fond of me—it will be the best way in the world to teach Greg that he can't order me around and bully me the way he's been trying to? It's exactly what he needs. You wouldn't have to keep it up long—only until Greg comes to his senses."

"Oh," he said, "I see. You want me to step in and play the heavy lover until Greg gets the idea he's not wanted?"

Vicky nodded. There was a gleam of almost feline satisfaction in the dark eyes. "Of course," she said, "I'm only pre-empting."

"Of course," he said, "if all you want me to do is to be your attentive escort—I don't know how I can refuse."

"You'll do it? You will?" She put both hands on his arm and drew him nearer. "Oh, Brian," she said, "you are sweet!"

She looked very pretty as she raised her face to his eyes glowing and the red lips slightly parted. Another girl had disappeared that evening. Brian Westmore had slowly, of course, I'll help you, Vicky. Of course I will."

(To Be Continued.)

CINEMA NEWS

NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Not since "Dinner at Eight" has a motion picture created as much advance discussion as Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's newest offering, "Forsaking All Others" which is due at the Queen's Theatre on Saturday with a cast headed by three of Hollywood's most popular stars, Joan Crawford, Clark Gable and Robert Montgomery—who make their first appearance together in the elaborate new film. Adapted from the stage hit of the same name the story depicts the plight of a bride who is deserted at the altar but succeeds in laughing it off. The picture was directed by that master of comic situations, W. S. Van Dyke, whose last success was "The Thin Man" and "Evelyn Prentice" and the supporting cast includes such well known players as Billie Burke, Charles Butterworth, Frances Drake and Rosalind Russell. Joan Crawford plays pure comedy for the first time in the new all-star production, and although there are plenty of dramatic situations, the star is given a greater opportunity for sparkling comedy lines and situations than ever before in this great hit of the year, Clark Gable and Robert Montgomery as the two dashing males in pursuit of this beautiful Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "The Band Plays On" having its initial showings to-day at the Queen's Theatre. With four and a half years of stage training with three more years of screen experience added to that, he has played feature parts similar to the roles of "The Band Plays On" and "The Affairs of Cellini".

These ventures times in 16th Century Italy when the De Medici were making murder a polite pastime and intrigues were so diplomatically numerous that a lover never touched his beloved's lips without a lurking fear that they might be impregnated with poison, offer the screen a rich and colourful background, of which

it has been amazingly slow to take advantage. Now, however, comes "The Affairs of Cellini", 20th Century's film starring Constance Bennett and Fredric March, which depicts the love escapades of the great goldsmith and engraver who brought fame to Leonardo da Vinci.

Part to make them doing their part as the Duchess of Florence and her consort, the Duke Alessandro, played in Edwin Justus Mayer's New York stage success, "The Firebrand" from which Bess Schenck-Darrell F. Zanuck production film, which United Artists will bring to the King's Theatre shortly, introduced the luxury and artistic splendour of 16th Century Italy, with its pomp and ceremony, its costly and elaborate mode of dress. Fay Wray, Ruthel, Jay Eaton, Jessie Ralph, Paul Harvey and Irene Ware are also important in "The Affairs of Cellini" which was directed by Gregory La Cava.

"The Band Plays On" Robert Young is one of the few feature players whom Hollywood has failed to "forget". In reality, his roles of all the biggest male stars in pictures. He makes his Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "The Band Plays On" at the Queen's Theatre. With four and a half years of stage training with three more years of screen experience added to that, he has played feature parts similar to the roles of "The Band Plays On" and "The Affairs of Cellini".

Young appears as one of the four boys who rise from the slums to become the great football team, the "Lions" in "The Band Plays On" which is directed by Stuart Erwin, who directed "The Band Plays On" and "The Affairs of Cellini".

and Russell Hardie, Russell Mack directed.

"America's first actor", George M. Cohan, to-day on the screen of the King's Theatre in the Fox Film production of his successful stage play, "Gambling", comes of a real "Royal Family" of the theatre. As a child he appeared with his father, Gus Cohan, and his sister, Helen Cohan, and with his sister, Josephine. The Cohan family was known first as "The Cohan Four Cohan" and later as "The Cohan Five Cohan". Cohan has written musicals, and collaborated on a dozen more; more than a hundred vaudeville plays, and well over 200 popular songs. His "Over There" was the most popular war song ever written. He still writes songs. His latest, "My Little Girl", has been introduced in the picture version of "Gambling" and Cohan himself will sing it. A large and carefully selected cast supports the air in the Harold B. Frank production of his play, headed by Dorothy Burgess and Wynne Gibson. Other players are Harold Healy, Percy Ames, Ted Newton, Robert Strange and Cora Witherspoon. Now directed.

"British Agent" R. H. Bruce Lockhart, author of the sensational best-selling biography of the late Sir Basil Blackett, the film "British Agent" will be seen at the Alhambra Theatre from to-morrow, the youngest diplomat of any World Power during the world war. At the age of 27 he became British Consul-General at Moscow and in 1918, he was selected to head the British Mission to Soviet Russia. No foreigner knew and understood the days better than he. It was a knowledge that cost him his career and almost cost him his life. After years of strenuous experience, including a term in prison, Lockhart returned to England, but he was tried after his departure by the Bolsheviks and sentenced to death.

"Here is My Heart" Bing Crosby's new Paramount picture "Here is My Heart" coming to the Central Theatre on Thursday, presents America's favourite radio singer with another opportunity to display his comedy talent as well as his singing ability. Adapted from a play by Alfred Savoir, "Here is My Heart" is a bright and frivolous little comedy written about a millionaire crooner's heroic courtship of a haughty princess with whom he falls in love at night in an elevator. Kitty Carlisle is cast as the princess, opposite Crosby and Allison Skipworth. Ronald Young and Reginald Owen are prominent in the supporting cast. Ralph Ringer and Leo Robin, writers of the hit song, "Love in Bloom" have composed several new tunes for Crosby in this picture, including "With Every Breath I Take" and "June in January". Frank Tuttle directed.

"Cleopatra" Domestic life and diversions in 1924 do not differ materially from the home life of the ancient Romans and Egyptians, it was discovered in the research for Cecil B. DeMille's "Cleopatra" which is showing for the last times at the Central and Alhambra Theatres to-day. In preparing the script for the picture which features Claudette Colbert, Warren William and Henry Wilcoxon, DeMille inserted a number of what we of to-day had vainly considered "modern" touches, thus proving that if those ancients could return to life they would find many things in our life little different from their own times.

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BROTHER-IN-LAW OF MR. EU TONG-SEN

A victim to cancer, Mr. Leung Kwong-hin, well-known businessman of Hongkong and Singapore, died at the French Hospital at 11.30 a.m. on Monday. He was related to Mr. Eu Tong-sen, the well-known millionaire, by his marriage with the latter's sister. Deceased received his early education at Queen's College, and was in Government service in the Straits Settlements before joining Mr. Eu Tong-sen as a confidential secretary, remaining in that capacity for many years before associating himself with the business interests of Mr. Cheng Tai-ping.

Stricken with cancer, Mr. Leung underwent an operation at the Government Civil Hospital some time ago. He subsequently went to the French Hospital, where he passed away, only some hours prior to the arrival of his wife from Singapore.

The deceased gentleman was held in high esteem by those who knew him. He is survived, in addition to the widow, by an only child, a daughter who is married to a Chinese solicitor at Singapore.

The funeral was held at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday afternoon. After leaving the French Hospital, the cortege made a circuit of Wanchai, headed by a band, returning to Happy Valley by Wanchai Road before arriving at the Cemetery. The last rites were intoned by the Rev. Fr. Rossello.

The attendance at the funeral included the widow and other relatives as principal mourners, Frs. E. Toruzzi, R. Della Nina, and L. Alella; and Messrs. Mok Kon-sang, Pak See-kwan, Wu Pak-kwan, Pang Ting-sang, S. K. Wong, W. A. Zimmerman, George She, L. E. Gutierrez, and others.

Flowers were sent by Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Woo, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Pak, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. C. Yuen, Mrs. and the Misses Chenalloy, Miss D. Seah, Sophie and Martha; and Messrs. Frank Kwok, Pang Tin-sang, C. T. Wong, Ho Sin-cho, Cheng Kwok-sang, Chan Kwai-ying, K. H. Yip, Lam Yu-cho, Cheng Kwok-on, Lau King-fan, and the Kwong Hoi Kee firm.

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SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION AT PENINSULA HOTEL

Over 300 persons, including His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, and Lady Peel, and His Excellency Major General O. C. Borrett and Mrs. Borrett, attended the Ball of the M. G. Battalion, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, at the Peninsula Hotel last evening.

The Ball was a brilliant function and an outstanding success. The Rose Room in which the dancing was held, was tastefully decorated, the main scheme being the Corps colours of blue, yellow and red. A large six-foot crest of the Corps was hung at the rear of the official dais with a canopy of the Corps colours surrounding it. In front of the dais were two mounted machine guns.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel, and His Excellency General Borrett and Mrs. Borrett arrived shortly after the dancing commenced, and were heralded by trumpeters drawn from the East Lancashire Regiment. They were met in the Rose Room by other members of the official party.

The official party comprised Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., Officer Commanding the Battalion, and Mrs. Mitchell, Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., and Mrs. Bird, Lieut. Col. H. B. L. Dowling, O.B.E., Officer Commanding the Volunteer Corps, and Miss Dowling, Col. H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., and Mrs. Harrison, Col. F. R. W. Graham, D.S.O., M.C., Commandant Shanghai Volunteer Corps, Lieut. Col. G. D. R. Black, O.B.E., and Mrs. Black, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macgregor, Capt. R. F. Walter, Capt. Clough Taylor, Mr. E. J. Davies, Capt. and Mrs. H. Owen Hughes, Miss Redhead, and Major and Mrs. J. C. Macgown.

Other Guests

Amongst the other guests present were—Capt. P. M. Wilkinson, Lieut. and Mrs. H. Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Batholomew, Capt. and Mrs. Mortlock, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gray, Commander and Mrs. H. P. K. Oram R.N., Capt. and Mrs. E. M. K. Mead, Lieut. and Mrs. J. Way, Capt. and Mrs. E. J. Stewart, Lieut. J. Rice Evans, Lieut. H. de Pritchard, Maj. and Mrs. Brasier Creagh, Lieut. and Mrs. G. C. Moutrie, Lieut. Stratton, Mr. W. H.

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OSAKA ASAHI SENDS MISSION TO NANKING

Nanking, March 19.

The local press circles, as well as the Government, are making preparations to accord a cordial welcome to an Osaka Asahi plane, which is to pay a goodwill visit to Nanking to-morrow.

As a friendly gesture towards China, the goodwill mission on board the plane will visit the Sun Yat Sen Mausoleum on Thursday morning and lay a wreath on behalf of the Osaka Asahi, a leading newspaper in Japan.—Central News Agency.

Edmonds, Misses V. and G. Crappnell, Misses B. and F. Fair, Miss P. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Padgett, Mr. and Mrs. Rathnell, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Walton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dudley, Mr. A. K. Munro, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilling, Capt. and Mrs. Burke, Lieut. C. C. Genese, Mr. G. W. Stabb, Miss J. Gillespie, Miss Scott Harston, Miss Mollison, Miss A. Boryer, Miss G. K. Saunders, Mr. E. J. Davies, Mr. G. A. Dunkley, Mr. E. A. Campbell, Mr. P. A. Sollars, Mr. and Mrs. V. East, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. R. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mac Clatchie, Mr. P. J. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. E. Thomson, Miss J. Duckworth, the Misses Gorrard, Mr. P. G. Strickland, Mr. L. Kilbee, Mr. J. C. M. Grenham, Mr. and Mrs. R. Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Y. S. Yan, Mr. D. F. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Bousfield, Miss Owen Hughes, Miss D. Brooks, Mr. J. C. Dunbar, Mr. J. S. Jones, Miss Eckert, Miss Fridmore and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Charles.

A fanfare of trumpets was sounded at 11.30 p.m. to announce supper and the official party made their way to the Roof Garden where supper was served.

Those responsible for the arrangements were Capt. D. W. Mortlock, (Chairman of the Committee) C.Q.M.S. R.A. Edwards (Secretary), Cpl. W. A. Mackinley (Treasurer), Lieut. C. de S. Robertson, M.M. (Supper Committee), C. S. M. Dudley and Cpl. G. Fowler (Decorations), Cpl. A. N. Braude and Pte. A. K. Munro. (Music and Dancing).

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BRITAIN, FRANCE AND ITALY ACT TOGETHER

Earlier reports that there had been a disagreement in respect to procedure between France and Great Britain, and the intimation that Great Britain had declined to discuss the situation further with France before Sir John Simon visited Berlin Sunday, are now discounted by later news, through *Reuter*. It appears that the old Allies, Britain, France and Italy, have reached an agreement in principle respecting a three-Power conference before the Anglo-German conversations are inaugurated, and will probably act in unison.

Mr. Anthony Eden, who is to attend the Berlin parley with Sir John Simon, will probably represent Great Britain at a hastily summoned conference in Paris or North Italy, at which British, French and Italian representatives will be present. This will be a potent gathering.

Baron von Neurath, incidentally, has announced that now that Germany has done that which brings her to a place of equality among the nations, and has stated that her new armies will never be used in aggressive warfare, the feeling of security in Europe must be greater.

Paris, March 19.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Laval, and the British Minister, Mr. Ronald Campbell, have discussed the question of an exchange of views between Britain, France and Italy before the visit of Sir John Simon to Berlin.

An agreement in this connection has been reached in principle, but details have not yet been settled.

A meeting of the representatives of the three Powers may be held in northern Italy, but it is most likely that it will be held in Paris.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Lord Privy Seal, will probably represent Great Britain there.—*Reuter*.

POSITION CLARIFIED
Berlin, March 19.

Now that Germany has taken the measures she considers necessary to give her a place of equality among the nations, and Herr Hitler has announced that the new military force will never be used for purposes of aggression, a general feeling of security for Europe should result, declared Baron von Neurath, Reichminister for Foreign Affairs to-day in an interview with *Reuter*.

He added that it might be possible to reach a common basis for an understanding.

"I am sure," he said, "that another war would be the end of Europe."

Referring to the proposed visit of Sir John Simon, British Foreign Minister, to discuss terms of security, he said the discussions could not be easy, but now, at least, the basis was much clearer.—*Reuter Special*.

EARLIER REPORTS

London, March 19.

The European crisis has taken a grave turn, due to the fact that Great Britain and Germany, as well as France and Britain, have apparently disagreed on vital issues.

Great Britain and Germany, in the first place, took divergent views as to the basis upon which Sir John Simon, the British Foreign Minister, and Herr Hitler, the German leader, would negotiate for the legalisation of German re-armament.

Secondly, the French people bitterly criticised Great Britain's procedure in the matter of approach to the German re-armament question. France has drafted a strong protest on Germany's conscription move, which will be despatched to Berlin after the Cabinet meeting to-morrow.

Thirdly, Sir John Simon is reported to have refused the

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DEFENCE AGAINST AIR RAIDS

BRITAIN TAKES PRECAUTIONS

BERLIN TESTS STRENGTH

(Special to "Telegraph")
London, March 19.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, to-day told the House of Commons that Great Britain had already taken steps to defend herself against possible air raids in the future.

A little later, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, presented to the House the huge Air Defence estimates.

The estimates provide for a programme envisaging an increase of the fighting machines of the R.A.F. to a total of 1,460 by 1938.—*United Press*.

BERLIN'S DEFENCES

Berlin, Mar. 19.

Berlin to-day saw a display of German air strength.

Fifteen giant bombers and thirty-five powerfully-motored pursuit planes roared over the city in formation, dived and stunted in a striking series of manoeuvres, preparatory to to-night's air defence drills.—*United Press*.

DANGER TO PEACE

London, March 19.

The Air Estimates for 1935, totalling \$23,851,100 gross, and a small supplementary estimate of \$200,000 for the current year, were introduced in the House of Commons to-day by the Under-Secretary of State for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon. He said that in the cause of peace the British Government had postponed for ten years past what had been declared as a minimum programme of air defence for the United Kingdom.

British weakness in the air was a danger to world peace, as well as to Britain herself, and the Air Force could not be allowed to remain fifth among the Air Powers in terms of first-line strength.

At the same time, Sir Philip Sassoon refuted exaggerated ac-

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SEVEN DIE IN DESERT AIR CRASH

FRENCH GOVERNOR AMONG VICTIMS

WRECKAGE FOUND

(Special to "Telegraph")
Paris, March 19.

The Belgian Ministry for the Colonies has advised French officials that a Belgian Army plane in the Congo has found the wreckage of a plane near Mossaka, together with seven bodies.

The plane is said to be that of the Governor of French Equatorial Africa, missing last Friday but reported safe on Monday in despatches from Fort Lamy.

The Governor, M. Edouard Renard and five others, was on a tour of inspection when the plane ran into a tornado. Wireless messages from the machine said it had weathered the storm but was lost in fog. Last Friday a wide-spread search was organized, but was discontinued when reports from Fort Lamy said the machine had landed at Mirmongo, on Monday.

It is now believed that these reports must have been foundationless, and that the plane actually crashed after the tornado had been passed and in attempting a forced landing in fog.—*United Press*.

LOST CONTROL

Paris, March 19.

The relief caused by the news that M. Edouard Renard, Governor-General of French Equatorial Africa, had been found safe near Mirmongo, in the Belgian Congo, turned to dismay to-day with the arrival of an official report stating that he and his wife and their five companions were all dead.

The party disappeared on Friday, while making a tour of inspection in the Chad region. The bodies were found beside the wreckage of the plane, which was shattered to fragments. It apparently struck the ground with great force.

It is believed the pilot lost control of the machine in the sandstorm which enveloped it.—*Reuter*.

DISMAL VIEW OF MARKET

NEW YORK CRITICS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC

(Special to "Telegraph")
New York, March 19.

Commenting on the New York Stock Market, the current issue of the *Analyst* says:

"The past week's decline is attributable to the possibility of proposed legislation which would prove to be further unfavourable to the railroads, as well as to fear that Congress might introduce other legislation unfavourable to business."

Barron's Financial Weekly says: "The subsidence of inflation talk and a moderate let-down in business activity are both sufficient to offset the influence of cheap money and increasing potential credit. Only some drastic action very soon will produce the stimulus for a spring rise in stock values and in business generally."

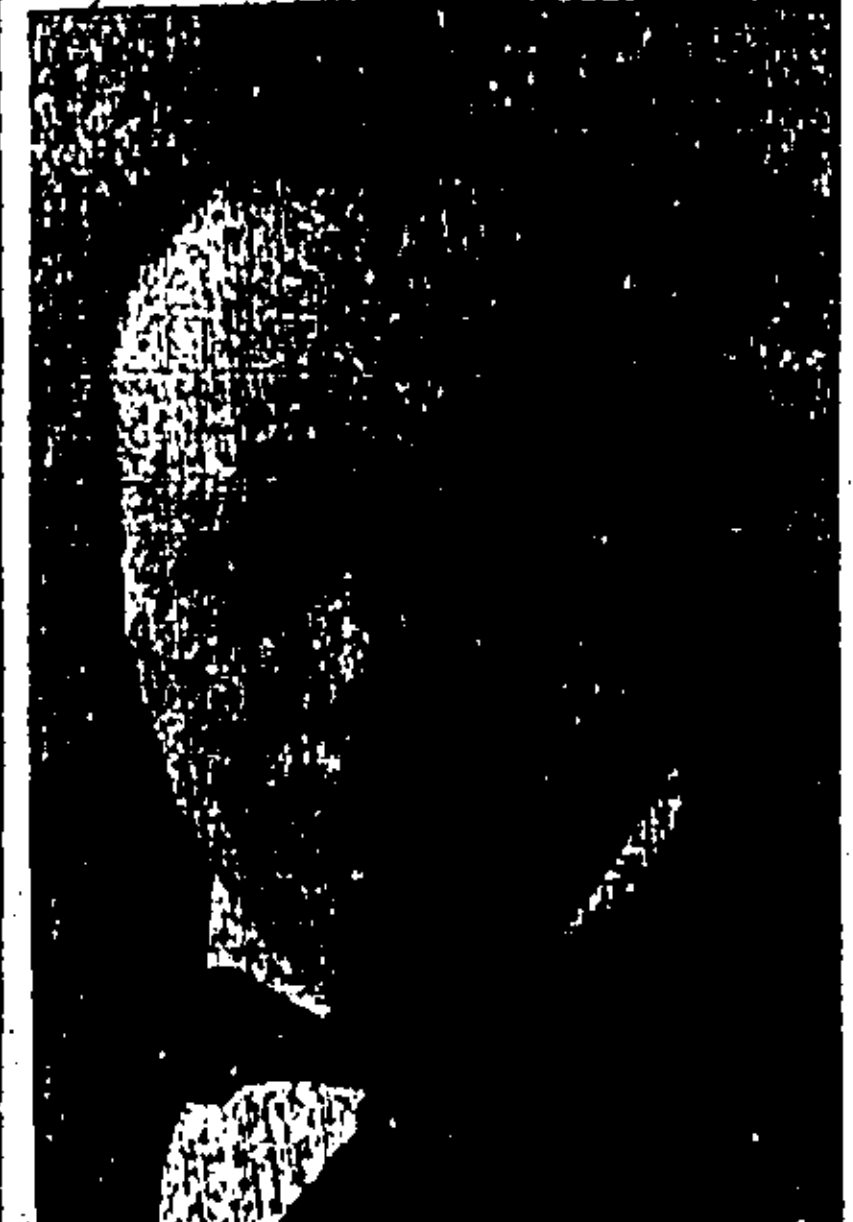
Standard Statistics, weekly bulletin, says: "With the prospect of relatively static markets there is little point at present to alter speculative positions."

Moody's Investors' Service says: "The underlying situation is unfavourable."—*United Press*.

GOLD FOR LONDON

Plymouth, March 19.

Gold to the value of \$265,442 for shipment to London arrived here to-day from Canada.—*United Press*.



Mr. Winston Churchill, who declares that Britain is aerially weaker than Germany.

Expansion Of Airways

BRITAIN'S SERVICE DEVELOPING

CO-OPERATION IN EMPIRE

London, Mar. 19.

In introducing the Air Estimates in the House of Commons, Sir Philip Sassoon, dealing with civil aviation, paid a tribute to the work of the Imperial Airways in 1934. The weight of some six million letters sent by air from Britain last year was 122 tons, an increase of 43 per cent. on the total for 1933.

In consequence the recent ten-year agreements with Italy and the provisional understanding which had been reached with France, Imperial Airways planned soon to operate an inter-service through to Brindisi with small mail-carrying aircraft. A full service by large aircraft would be brought into operation when the Company's fleet

WAR DRUMS OF ABYSSINIA

Signal For General Mobilisation

(Special to "Telegraph")
Rome, March 20.

The Italian East African consular officers are understood to have reported war drums beating in Northern Abyssinia. This is a signal for a general mobilisation of the Abyssinian forces.

Meanwhile, it is learned Italy has urged Abyssinia to continue direct negotiations to facilitate a settlement of the dispute between them.—*United Press*.

had been augmented to make up for the heavy demands caused by recent duplication of Empire Services.

The Air Ministry, the Post Office and Imperial Airways were continuing to co-operate on a long-term policy aiming at quicker and more frequent services, and the carriage of all first-class Empire mails by air without surcharge.

The scheme would be in collaboration with the Dominions, India and the Colonies and on the provision of two million pounds of fresh capital to extend the Imperial Airways fleet.

Sir Philip stated that the Air Ministry were offering a £25,000 prize for the best medium-size commercial aeroplane, produced by a British firm, and were preparing to construct two experimental machines with which they might eventually try for the high and distance records. He expressed optimism in regard to the progress of private flying in Britain, and said there were more private pilot licences current in the United Kingdom, in proportion to the population, than in the United States.—*British Wireless*.

CHINA LOAN DISCUSSED

NANKING TAKES NO ACTION

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Nanking, March 20.

Responsible authorities here continue non-committal when questioned about the possibility of an international loan to China.

After meeting Mr. Wang Ching-wel, head of the Executive Yuan, Sir Alexander Cadogan, the British Minister, will see the Finance Minister, Dr. H. H. Kung, and the former Finance Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, in Shanghai.

Sir Alexander said to-day that there had been no developments in the direction of a loan since he had informed the Chinese Government that the next step was theirs, to inform the Powers as to specific suggestions, which would include the uses to which the money would be put.—*United Press*.

BOND ISSUE RIDICULED

Shanghai, March 20.

The current issue of the *Shun Pao* says: "It is the general consensus of opinion among Chinese bankers that the plan to issue \$600,000,000 in bonds through title deeds depositories is childish and foolish."

It is further said that bankers have definitely declared that they would not support the plan, since it would be impossible to raise the \$300,000,000 cash reserve required to assure the free circulation of the bonds.—*United Press*.

ADMIRAL SEIZED IN CANTON?

RUMOUR OF TREACHERY WHISPERED

Canton, March 20.

A sensational report circulating in the city to-day morning that Admiral Gang Shi-yuen was detained at the Canton Military Headquarters last night by order of General Chen Chai-tong. No official explanation has been so far given.

Admiral Gang Shi-yuen is the Commander of the Canton Coastal Defence Fleet, which includes the cruisers *Haichi*, *Haihsin* and *Shinho*.

It will be remembered that recently the Canton Government received secret information that certain treacherous elements were trying to induce the crews of the three cruisers to desert the Canton command. Admiral Gang's detention is probably in connection with this matter.—*Central News*.

For Destitute Children

"SIR WILLIAM PEEL" FUND

STRONG APPEAL TO PUBLIC

In order to commemorate Sir William Peel's Governorship of the Colony, from which he is soon retiring, it has been decided to open a public fund on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Children, with which His Excellency has permitted his name to be associated.

Already over \$8,000 has been raised as a start, and it is hoped that the public will liberally respond to the appeal now being made.

We have received the following explanatory letter on the subject: "Sir, As His Excellency's period of office as Governor of Hongkong nears its end, increasingly frequent expressions of regret are being heard on all sides at his approaching departure.

Nowhere have these been voiced more fully and warmly than at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children of which

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WARNS BRITAIN OF WEAKNESS

FIGHTING AIRCRAFT STILL INADEQUATE

CHURCHILL INDICATES GERMAN SUPERIORITY

London, Mar. 19.

Declaring that the British Air Defence programme was entirely inadequate, Mr. Winston Churchill to-day caused a sensation in the House of Commons when he warned that the British Air Force had been allowed to stand inferior in strength to that of Germany's.

The country was faced with something very like the possibility of a resumption of the War which ended in 1918, he challenged.

Speaking for the Government, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, admitted that the political situation was most anxious, but asserted that the Government was determined to see that no stone was left unturned for the adequate defence of the country and the Empire.

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF REDS

HEAVY FIGHTING AT LUPANCHANG

HIGH OFFICERS CAPTURED

(Special to "Telegraph")
Shanghai, March 20.

Despatches reaching here from Kwenming state that General Hsueh Eh-yoh reports the Fifth and Seventh Communist armies shattered in a heavy engagement at Lupanchang, on February 16.

The battered and decimated ranks of the Red battalions are retreating in disorder towards Kulan, where Szechuen Provincial troops have been ordered to head them off and effect an enveloping movement which will completely subdue any spark of spirit remaining.

From Changsha it is learned that Government troops are advancing towards Yungshuan and Shaugh-chih, the last strongholds of the Hupan Communists, who are reported to have suffered very severe losses in fighting around these two walled cities.

There have been several high officers among the Reds captured recently.—*United Press*.

FURTHER ROBOT PLANE TESTS

HAWAIIAN FLIGHT MAY BE ABANDONED

(Special to "Telegraph")
Washington, March 19.

Mr. Eugene Vidal, Director of the Bureau of Commercial Aviation, said to-day that the "robot" plane, which the United States Government has been testing for long distance flights, may not fly to Hawaii after all.

To-day he telegraphed to the test pilots telling them to make two more experimental flights to sea, directed by the radio stations in California and Hawaii, in the hope that these trips would provide sufficient data to make a longer test flight unnecessary.—*United Press*.

The feature of the debate on the Air Estimates was Mr. Winston Churchill's address.

He bluntly asserted that, last November, Great Britain and Germany were virtually of equal air strength, but insisted that since then the British position had materially worsened relatively.

Germany, he declared, now possessed a minimum of six hundred first line combat aircraft. It was possible, he said, that the addition to Germany's mighty fleet of military aeroplanes during 1935-36 would total 1,500 machines.

In this light, he charged, the British programme of construction was entirely inadequate.

PERIOD OF PERIL

"We have entered into a period of gravest peril and are faced with something very like the possibility of a resumption of the war which ended in 1918," Mr. Churchill cried.

However, he still hoped and believed that the danger of armed conflict in Europe might be averted.

Replying for the Government, Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, said that according to the Government's latest information he had every reason to think that Great Britain was still stronger than Germany in the air.

He admitted that the situation had deteriorated to a certain extent since last November, because there had been a greater acceleration of Germany's manufacture of aircraft. Nevertheless, he considered that at the end of the year Britain would still have a British programme of defensive over the German air forces.

READY FOR EMERGENCY

Sir Philip emphasised that the British programme of defensive construction was capable of increase or decrease as emergencies required.

The Government had not abandoned the hope of limitation of armaments by general agreement, and did not consider that expansion or acceleration of aircraft construction was rendered finally necessary.

The situation was admittedly most anxious, he stated, and the Government was determined to see that no stone was left unturned when it came to planning for the adequate defence of the country and the Empire.—*Reuter*.

GOODWILL PLANE IN KOREA

BOUND FOR NANKING FROM JAPAN

Seoul, March 20.

The Tokyo *Asahi's* goodwill aeroplane, piloted by K. Niino, has arrived here.

The machine landed here at 7.40 a.m. to-day, having left Tokyo at 7.40 a.m. on Monday. The pilot will leave here at 12.30 p.m. for Nanking, where it is expected to arrive at 6 o'clock to-night.—*United Press*.



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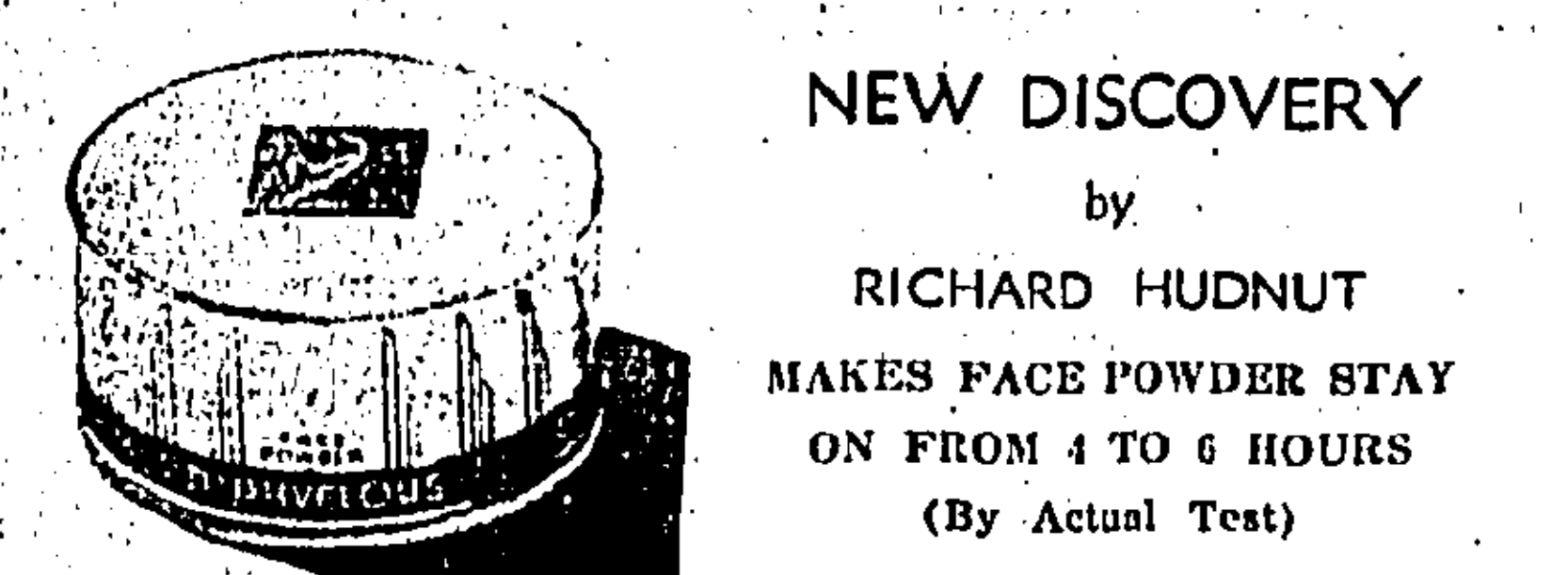
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FILMLAND NEWS

African Background For British Picture

20,000 NATIVES

London Film Productions, new film, "Sanders of the River," will be presented shortly at the Leicester Square Theatre, London, the premiere being in aid of the Newspaper Press Fund.

The picture, the cast of which includes Leslie Banks and Paul Robeson, is claimed to have remarkable African sequences. Zoltan Korda, the director, and his production unit flew in Imperial Airways planes to make these sequences. Some 11,000 miles were covered by the unit, which consisted of 14 Europeans, five lorries, five private cars, and over 40 porters with three cameras and complete sound-recording apparatus. Extra personnel, film stock, and equipment was sent by air from London to Entebbe. A long trek, sometimes of over 100 miles, was necessary to bring them to the location where the unit was working.

The strange customs and dances of the primitive Acholi natives have been recorded. They are a tribe of remarkable physique. These natives understood what was required of them, and entered enthusiastically into the spirit of these scenes. The rates of pay for the "crowd artists" were 6d. a day, with a bonus of cheap locally manufactured cigarettes. Altogether nearly 20,000 natives were used on the various locations.

"MUTINY OF THE BOUNTY"

Charles Laughton has sailed from San Pedro for the South Seas to make a film version of that famous sea epic, "The Mutiny of the Bounty," for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

He will play the part of Captain Bligh, the British commander, who after being ousted from his ship by mutineers and placed in a small boat with faithful members of his crew, made a miraculous voyage of thousands of miles across open sea, finally to reach safety and return to England.

Clark Gable will be the leader of the mutineers, and Robert Montgomery will play the Bounty's clerk and historian.

All the scenes will be made on their historical site.

SIR C. HARDWICKE

Sir Cedric Hardwicke has now returned to London from Hollywood. He will appear on the London stage in "Tovaritch," which deals with a group of aristocratic Russian refugees in Paris.

Sir Cedric Hardwicke has been a great success in Hollywood. He has had many offers to stay, and the Metro-Goldwyn company (says a Daily Telegraph correspondent) wanted him to play the male lead in Greta Garbo's next film. Sir Cedric refused the offer as he wanted to return to London to do some more stage acting.

MAY BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Ida Lupino, the film actress, daughter of Stanley Lupino, the London stage comedian, is planning to become an American citizen (says Reuter from Hollywood).

Shortly after returning from a holiday trip to England, she declared in an interview: "Four months abroad impressed me with the fact that I am first Southern Californian, and second an English woman. If everything goes well with me this trip, don't be surprised if I become a real American."

EFFECTS OF TELEVISION

An International Committee is being formed in Rome by the

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Sieve the flour and baking powder together, add the sugar. Separate the yolks from the whites of the eggs; make a well in the centre of the flour, and beat in the two yolks, butter (melted), and milk.

Add the vanilla, and fold in the stiffly-whipped whites of the eggs. Cook in a well-greased, hot waffle iron. When brown, turn, and cook on the other side. Serve hot with butter and maple syrup or golden syrup.

Strictly speaking, the original American waffle contains neither sugar nor essence, and these may be omitted. If an electric waffle iron is used, it is not necessary to grease the iron or turn the waffles.

Educational Cinematograph Institute to inquire into the problems raised by the coming into general use of television.

The Committee, which is to meet shortly, will be composed of representatives of the Institute of the International Union of Broadcasting and representatives of the international organisations in Europe and America who are concerned with television.

BRISSON'S NEW CONTRACT

Paramount has signed Carl Brisson on a new contract. This is a contract for three years at a substantial increase in salary, and calls for three pictures yearly. Brisson will also be allowed to broadcast.

His third Hollywood picture, "The Count of Luxembourg," will soon go into production.

Hauptmann at Death's Door

HAS WATCHED FIVE MEN GO TO CHAIR

HOUSED IN PLACE OF HORRORS

Tronton, N.J.—Bruno Richard Hauptmann convicted of murdering the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, is the lonely occupant of a cell in the death house at the State prison here, separated by eight other empty cells from the electric chair where he has been condemned to die.

Hauptmann was assigned to cell No. 1. He is the only occupant of the lower of two tiers of nine cells each. When he entered the prison after his conviction at Flemington there were five men in the upper tier. They have all been led away to the place of execution. Hauptmann has seen them go.

Two keepers guard Hauptmann every minute of the day and night in eight-hour shifts. His cell is kept constantly lighted, as a precaution against attempted escape or suicide.

A corridor in front of the cells leads to the execution room. There, surrounded only by white walls and under two flood lights, stands the electric chair where Hauptmann is to die if the Flemington verdict stands.

Occupying a space only 24 feet by 40 at one end of the newly-built death house within the high walls of the state prison, the chamber has witnessed the electrocution of 110 men. No woman has ever paid the extreme penalty in New Jersey by this instrument.

DOGLESS DOG-MAN

FATHER OF GREAT ANNUAL SHOW

London—Mr. Charles Cruft is probably the most famous dog-man in the world, yet he does not keep a dog of his own.

Mr. Cruft originated the annual London show that bears his name at which the world's best dogs carry off prizes equivalent to world championships, but he has never exhibited for himself, although at one time or another he has owned spaniels, basset hounds and Schipperkes.

Mr. Cruft is 88, and looks something like his favourite breed—the pointer. He has the long face and slightly harassed forehead of a pointer.

He started life as an office-boy to a well-known dog-food firm. Then came the idea of a dog-show. Mr. Cruft hired the old Royal Aquarium at Westminster for his first exhibition. That was in 1886. It was confined to terriers and there were 500 entries.

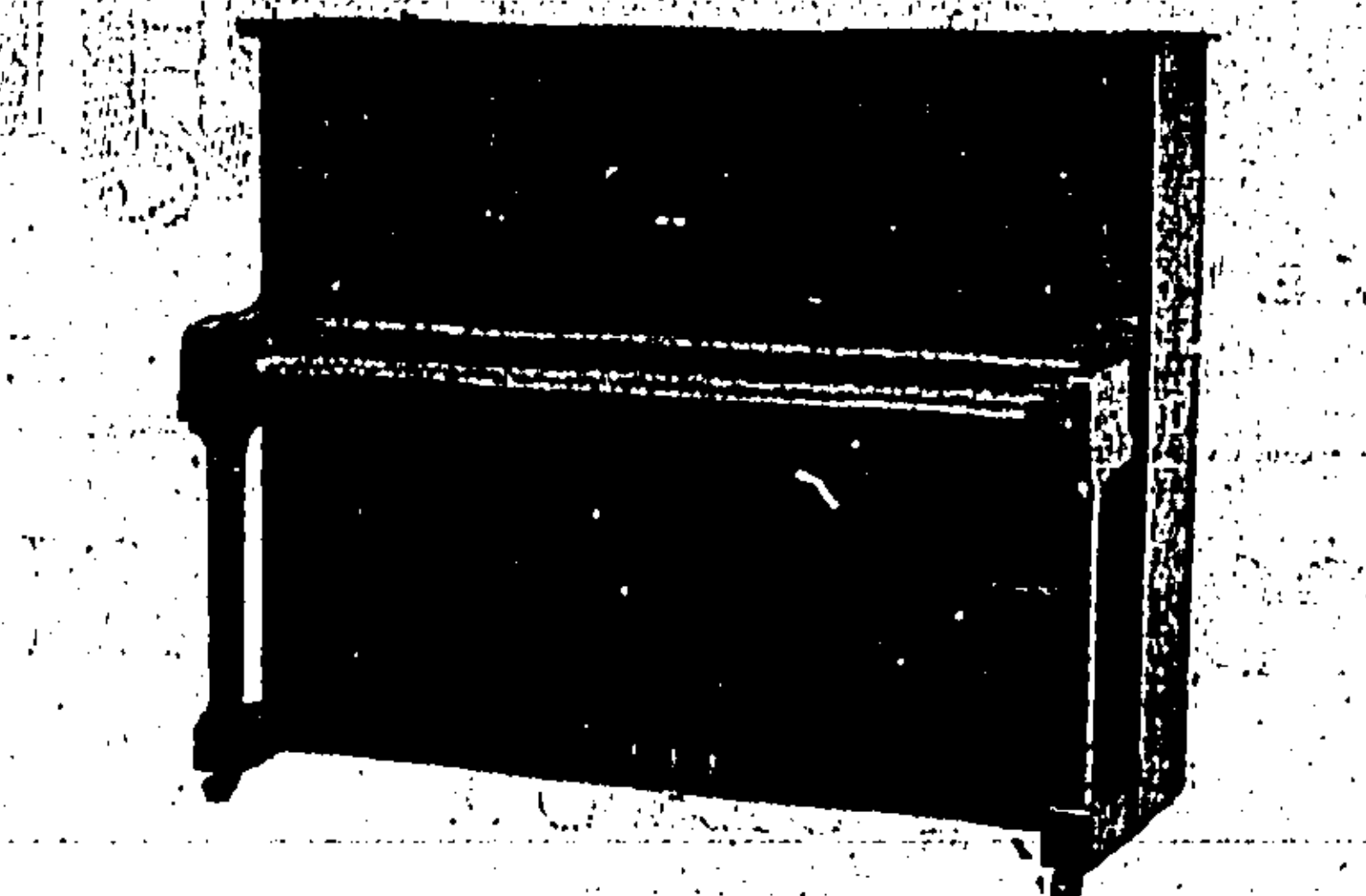
The forty-ninth edition of the show was held here recently. There were 10,000 entries representing every breed in the world. Mr. Cruft is passionately devoted to dogs, yet he believes that the task of supervising the welfare of the thousands at his show does not allow him the leisure to give one pet of his own attention which he would like to give it.

He has the Solomon touch in deciding dog problems. At the last show there was a large number of Corgis, funny little Welsh dogs, popular because Princess Elizabeth has one.

The problem that stirred the dog world was should Corgis have tails or should they be tailless? Mr. Cruft pondered, and then announced that they could be either, and appointed a bulldog expert to judge them.

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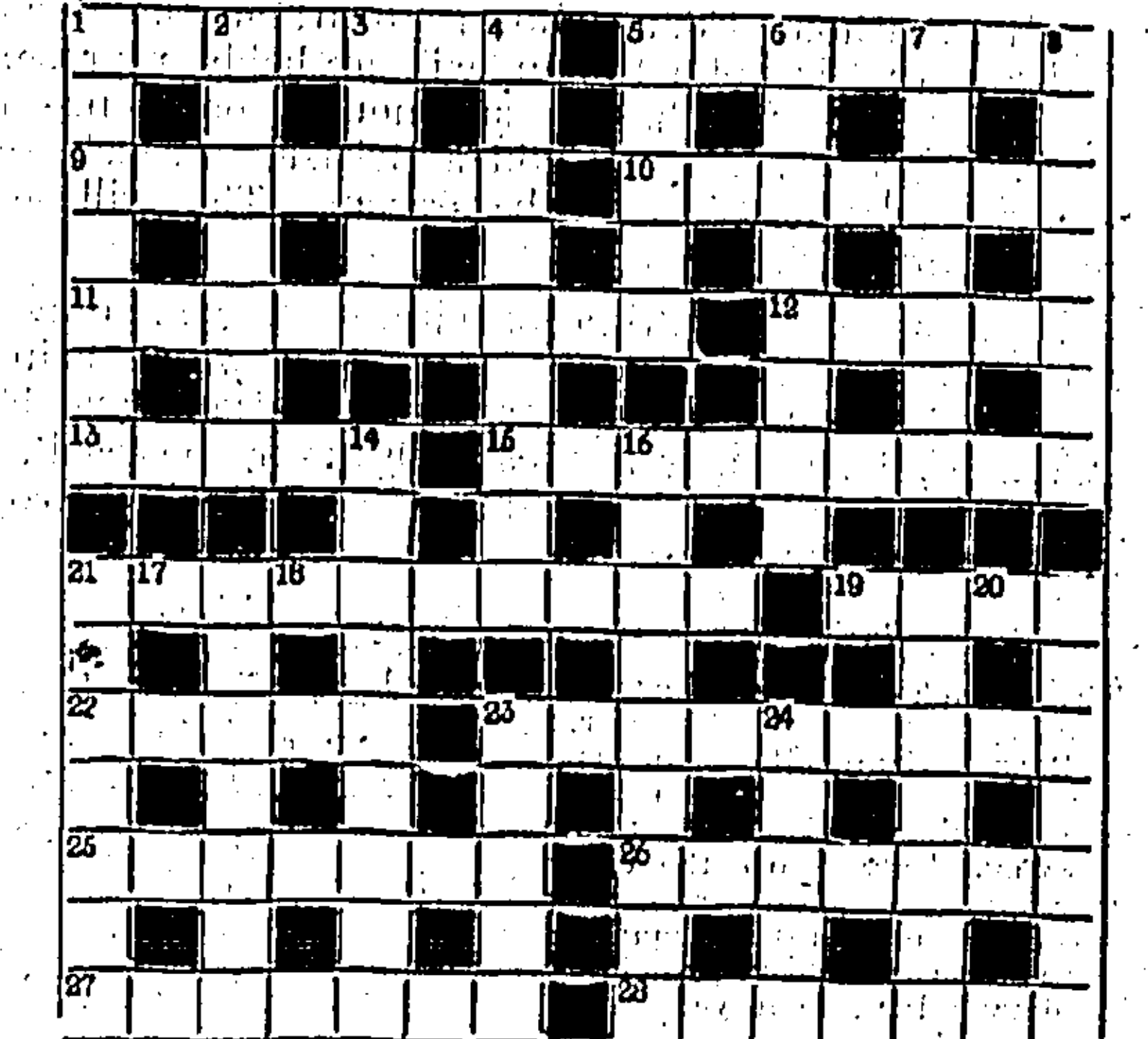
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- This Saxon King shows you the salt upset inside.
- Usually a compliment the recipient never hears.
- Meanwhile bury the greater part.
- Men don't like to be chased by her!
- This N.Z. town suggests sandy noise.

Down

- The head will bark and the tail needs redeeming—very unusual.
- A soft spot with pedestrians.
- The sound of more than a tribe.
- It is never-ending, yet a confederate ends it.
- A palindromic.
- Sam and Ernest combined to give this line (two words).
- You will have to think to get this!
- Ruin.
- Mild.
- This would probably be an unwelcome blow in The Summer! (two words).
- A famous Roundhead.
- This occupation is a great leveller.
- The sort of person who has given up minding his own business.
- His suspensions are final, but only just.
- Tests for these are on the programme this year.
- A tongue.

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BRIGHTON MURDER**MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED EXPERTS BAFFLED**

Brighton Trunk Mystery. No. 1 remains a mystery. Who the woman was, and how, when, and where she came by her death have not been discovered. The head and arms have not been found. Sir Bernard Spilsbury is unable to state the cause of death. These points were brought out when the inquest was resumed at Brighton recently.

The Coroner was told by a police officer that a useful purpose would be served by keeping the inquiry open, and the inquest was thereupon closed with a formal verdict.

The trunk and legs of the woman were found in June last. Only evidence of the finding of the limbs was given when the matter was first brought to the notice of the Coroner, and it was adjourned until March in the hope that police inquiries would solve the mystery.

Nothing has, however, served this purpose, although Chief-Inspector Donaldson and Detective-Sergeant Sowell of Scotland Yard and the Brighton police have investigated endless supposed clues during the intervening months.

The estate of the woman is that on June 6, Derby Day, a cabin trunk was left at the luggage office at Brighton Station, and on June 7 a suitcase was deposited at the cloakroom at King's Cross Station. The trunk contained a woman's body and the suitcase a woman's legs.

Chief-Inspector Donaldson and Detective-Inspector Pelling, chief of the Brighton C.I.D., had a conference with the Coroner before the Court sat.

The Coroner's Office notice of the inquest was headed:—"Re death of unknown female person, 20-25 years of age, found in trunk at Brighton Station, 17/6/34."

NO MEMBERS OF PUBLIC

No member of the general public was present, and the Coroner sat with but seven of the original jury of nine. One jurymen has since been taken ill and another has left the district.

The only recent witness was Dr. H. J. Pulling, who at the time of the discovery was police surgeon in Brighton. He has now retired. The inquiry lasted only eight minutes and then, on the direction of the Coroner, the jury returned an open verdict.

Before calling the only witness the Coroner, addressing the jury, said that on June 19 Sir Bernard Spilsbury conducted a postmortem examination on the woman which was found at Brighton, and on the next day, Sir Bernard examined the legs which were found at King's Cross Station and satisfied himself that they belonged to the same body.

An analysis of the stomach and other organs was subsequently made by Dr. Roche Lynch, and the inquest was opened on June 20 and adjourned until July 18, and then again until August 22, when evidence was given of the finding of the trunk.

STILL NO EVIDENCE

The inquiry was then adjourned again in the hope that evidence would be forthcoming to enable the jury to deal with points which they were required by law to deal with as far as possible—namely, who the deceased was, and how, when, and where she came by her death.

Notwithstanding every effort,

there was still no evidence available to enable the jury to deal with these points as the head and arms had not been found.

He only proposed to call Dr. Pulling, who would produce reports of Sir Bernard Spilsbury and Dr. Roche Lynch. The police were represented by Inspector Pelling and Chief-Inspector Donaldson, and subject to anything they might say, the inquiry would be closed.

Dr. Pulling then read an extract from the report of Sir Bernard Spilsbury, dated July 4. It read:—"On June 19 I made a post-mortem examination at the Brighton mortuary on the headless and limbless body of a woman found in a suitcase at Brighton Station."

"The body was that of a well-nourished woman; in the neck the line of division passed through the fifth cervical vertebra. The arms had been severed a short distance below the shoulders—the right at a lower level than the left. The legs had been covered a short distance below the hips, the left leg at a lower level than the right."

"A HEALTHY WOMAN"

"On June 20 I made a post-mortem examination of two human lower limbs found in a box at King's Cross, L.N.E.R. Station. The limbs formed a pair, which were exactly alike."

"The limbs had been separated from the trunk through the upper parts of the thigh, and each limb was further divided at the knee."

"The trunk found at Brighton and the lower limbs found at King's Cross are both of the same body—that of a young woman about 20-25 years of age. She was well developed but not stout, and was about five feet three inches in height."

"She appeared to have been a healthy woman. No disease was found in her body. The structures of her leg bones suggest that she led an active life, and that there was probably no history of serious illness in childhood. The thigh, legs, and feet were perfectly clean, and, like the trunk, show no marks or injury."

"I found no natural disease to account for death. There were no indications of poisoning, and there were no marks of violence on the body or lower limbs. I am, therefore, unable to state the cause of death."

"NO TRACE OF POISONING"

An extract read from the report of Dr. Roche Lynch was:—"I have analysed the organs handed to me by Sir Bernard Spilsbury, and have detected no trace of any poisoning or noxious substance in them."

The Coroner asked Inspector Pelling if, so far as he was concerned, there was any useful purpose to be served by keeping the inquiry open and granting another adjournment.

Inspector Pelling replied:—"None, so far as I can say."

Chief-Inspector Donaldson said he agreed with Inspector Pelling that no useful purpose could be served by an adjournment.

Directing the jury that they should return an open verdict, the Coroner commented that it was very unfortunate that, notwithstanding the investigations spread over a period of just over eight months, there was no evidence available to enable the jury to settle the points which should receive attention at an inquest.

The most important point was, of course, the cause of death, and as there was no evidence to show how the death occurred he thought the proper course for them to take would be to return an open verdict. A verdict in that form would leave the matter open, and although the inquest would be closed the case would remain in the hands of the police.

Without retiring the jury immediately returned an open verdict.

ANTARCTIC MAY BE SCENE OF SUMMER REVELS

Scenes in the Antarctic where Sir Douglas envisions pleasure resorts of the future. Inset, Sir Douglas Mawson.

Melbourne.

The annual domestic argument about where to spend that vacation threatens to become more involved and complex.

Mother, who wants to go to the seashore, and father, who wants to vacation in the mountains, in the future may have to put up with debate from junior about the merits of a sojourn in the Antarctic.

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Besides the possibilities of the Antarctic area as a resort centre, it also may become an important point of trade. In the opinion of the explorer, fur farming might be instituted on a large scale, and there is a chance gold might be found there, he says.

ONLY EXPLORED

The forecast of the noted explorer puts a new light on the value of the Antarctic, which so far has been penetrated by civilisation only through the efforts of exploration parties.

Sir Douglas sees the most bene-

fits coming out of the south pole region under British control.

"It is obvious that unified control under British inter-imperial administration is most certain to procure the ultimate benefit to the territory," the explorer says. "Contiguous British dominions have already claimed a considerable portion of the land areas, and rightly so, for not only has Great Britain played a leading part in their discovery, but her proximity lends her better in a position to administer their control and development."

FISHING AND WHALING

"The immediate prospects for commercial development are fisheries and whaling, which geographically Australia and New Zealand are best suited to develop."

"As a winter sports ground the Antarctic will be a thrill to Australians and also for summer pleasure cruises in modern liners through the pack ice."

"I visualize before long operations conducted from Australia and New Zealand similar to the Hudson's Bay company's activities, with isolated shore posts collecting seal products, penguins' eggs and fresh fish products and breeding Arctic white foxes."

The hidden continent of the Antarctic, totals approximately 4,500,000 square miles, according to Sir Douglas.

The Australian has had considerable experience among the frozen wastes around the south pole. He was a member of the expedition which Sir Ernest Shackleton led in 1907 and was one of the

three men who scaled Mount Erebus and planted the Union Jack there.

ESCAPE FROM DEATH

In 1911 he headed his own party which sailed from Hobart, Tasmania, in the schooner Aurora and established a base on the unexplored coastline of the Antarctic continent. The expedition almost carried Sir Douglas to his death. In December of 1913 he, with two companions, left the main base for a dash east to ascertain the nature of the land in that direction. Suddenly one of the group vanished in a bottomless crevasse carrying the most completely equipped dog sleds with him. Mawson and his surviving companion turned back with only one day's food, but by slaughtering their dogs, they hoped to make their way back to safety.

The food gave out and the dogs proved of little use as food. Dr. Mertz, Mawson's friend, grew slowly weaker and finally died, unable to survive the ordeal. For thirty days more the explorer fought a super-human struggle against frost, starvation and toil and finally stumbled into his camp in a mere skeleton. Even then he was compelled to spend another year on the ice-clocked peninsula, since the relief vessel sent to his aid had sailed away.

In 1929 he again led an expedition, this time on the famous Discovery, once owned by Captain Scott, and discovered a vast area hitherto unknown. For his work in the first expedition he was knighted by the King.

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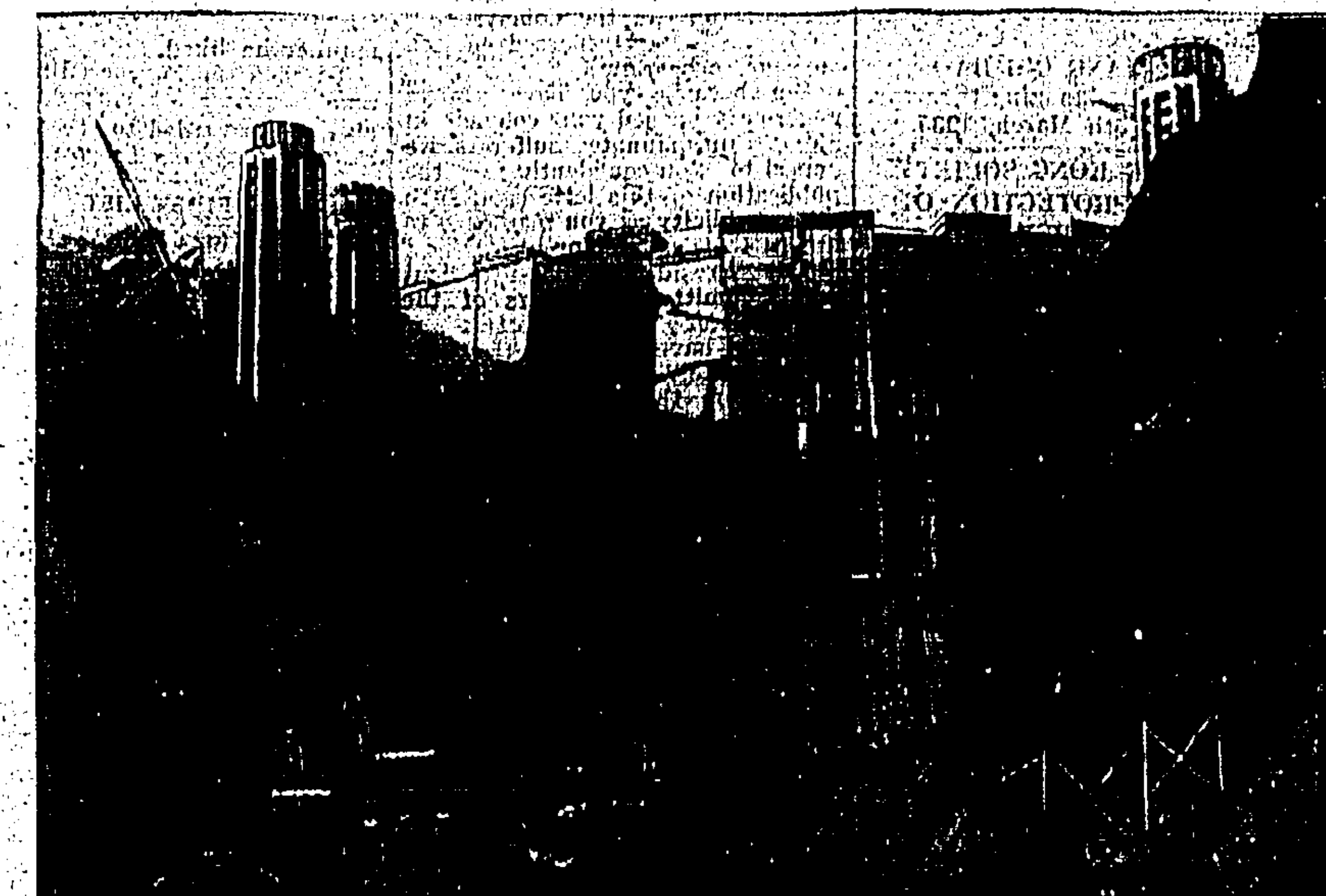
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Naturally, being a soldier, my first thought was to look for tactical errors in the manoeuvring of troops, but with one slight exception during a battle scene (when errors in formation are permissible and sometimes necessary) I found the picture to be remarkably accurate; so much so that I can commend it very highly.

Personally, this film affected me with its spirit of heroism and sacrifice and I am ashamed to say that there were tears in my eyes when it ended. I should feel safe in saying that it will appeal to Englishmen as a whole and to that more critical element in India who are no more to its subject matter than we are. Lady Byng enjoyed it as much as I, and we both have a desire to congratulate the Directors, Henry Hathaway and the Actors, Cary Cooper, Franchot Tone, Richard Cromwell and Sir Guy Standing who made it so interesting. Our countryman, Sir Guy Standing, gave an outstanding performance in the part of the service he represented.

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U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

New York Cotton		
March	Close	Closing
May	10.35	10.62/102
July	10.45	10.69/70
October	10.67	10.75/76
December	10.12	10.80/81
January (1936)	10.16	10.40/41
Spot	10.65	10.48/50

New York Rubber		
March	10.32	10.89/90
May	10.35	10.93/94
July	10.78	11.03/04
September	10.95	11.19/20
October	11.02	11.25/26
December	11.18	11.33/34
Total sales	—537 lots	

Chicago Wheat		
May	91	91 3/4/91 3/4
July	88 1/2	88 3/4/88 3/4
September	87 3/4	88 3/4/88 3/4
Monday's sales	20,837,000 bushels	

Chicago Corn		
May	70 3/4	77 3/4/77 3/4
July	72 3/4	73 3/4/73 3/4
September	70	70 3/4/70 3/4
Total sales	12,919,000 bushels	

Winnipeg Wheat		
May	82 1/2	83 1/4/83 1/4
July	82 1/2	82 1/2/82 1/2
September	82 1/2	82 1/2/82 1/2
Total sales	—53 lots	

New York S&K		
March	1.27 1/2	1.27 1/2/1.27 1/2
May	1.28 1/2	1.27 1/2/1.27 1/2
July	1.25 1/2	1.27 1/2/1.27 1/2
Total sales	—53 lots	

Montreal Silver		
March	59.75	59.10/59.50
May	59.75	59.10/59.50
July	60.00	60.05/60.35
September	60.00	60.05/60.35
Total sales	—18 contracts	

MOTOR MISHAP

TWO CARS COLLIDE ON PEAK

According to a police report, Mr. Browning, of No. 353 The Peak, was concerned in a motor collision yesterday morning at about 8.15, when, whilst driving to town, his car collided with another car at the junction of Stubbs Road and Magazine Gap Road.

No-one was injured, and the collision appears to have been of a minor character, as very little damage is said to have been caused to either of the cars.

COOLER WEATHER

The anticyclone over North China has increased considerably in intensity and is extending eastward and southward. An area of moderately high pressure covers the Pacific to the south of the Bonins. The depression is passing into the Pacific to the east of Japan. Shallow depressions are situated over West China and Tongking. Local forecast:—S. E. breeze, variable winds, moderate, freshening from N.E.; cloudy, fog or mist at first, rain later, cooler.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONG KONG CLUB

NOTICE

The Ninety First Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on Thursday, the 28th March, 1935, at 5.30 p.m.

By order,

S. R. KERR,

Secretary.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

Members are reminded that the Annual Dinner of the Institution will be held in the Rooms on Friday, 22nd March, 1935, at 8 o'clock p.m.

J. P. A. DAVIS,

Hon. Secretary.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 29th March, 1935, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1934.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1935.

KING'S SILVER JUBILEE

Dollar Collection Fund.

Managers of business firms and others who have employees are informed that special collection boxes for the Jubilee \$1. Collection are now available at 6 Ning Yuen Terrace, temporary headquarters of the St. John Ambulance Brigade; telephone No. 26286.

The boxes can be obtained from Mr. A. Morris, at the address mentioned above, or from Mr. S. P. Balfour, of the Colonial Secretariat.

The Collection is to begin on April 1, between which date and May 1 the boxes should be circulated; which, filled, they should be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which has kindly undertaken to receive same.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Wednesday, the 20th day of March, 1935, at 12 o'clock noon to receive the Directors' Report, and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1934, to elect Auditors and Directors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th to the 20th day of March, 1935, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,

Managing Director.

THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child.

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C., c/o G.P.O. Box No. 513, Hongkong, or the Inspector, 49 Pokfulam Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, 242, Lockhart Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN

(Continued from Page 1.)

Sir William and Lady Peel are patrons. Subsequent to the annual meeting, the Committee of the Society resolved to commemorate Sir William Peel's administration, and more especially his concern for the children of our less fortunate fellow citizens by opening a fund in aid of the Society's finances.

His Excellency has graciously allowed his name to be associated with the fund which is to be known as the "Sir William Peel Fund for the Protection of Children."

OBJECT OF FUND

The object of this Fund is to provide an opportunity for those who feel sympathy with suffering childhood, to commemorate Sir William Peel's governorship in a permanent manner, in accordance with his well known sympathies and as eloquently as the most heartfelt and the most sincere of farewell addresses.

For its present activities the Society for the Protection of Children has to find each month about \$2,000 and each year its income has fallen short of the expenditure by more than this amount.

Last year, by means of donations (and these necessarily vary each year) and a Government Grant of \$5,000, the income was \$20,840.

It is hoped that the response to the appeal for the "Sir William Peel" Fund will realise such a sum that the annual interest will more than make up for the annual deficit, for it is not likely that in present circumstances we shall have to spend less than we do now.

It is sometimes suggested that provision for the destitute and the very poor will attract improvident persons to the Colony.

No-one who has any idea how our funds are disbursed can suppose this to be likely. A not infrequent item of our expenditure is to help people to get away to more promising areas.

Our spending is chiefly made up of milk foods, medicines and fees to institutions, where we have placed some of our little clients. We do not give money. Nor do we provide food unless the family income is less than \$4.00 monthly per person.

Is not this fact alone eloquent of the need for help?

APPALLING FIGURES

In our case report for February the average income per head of 456 persons was \$2.10 and there were nine cases with no income at all. The January figures were even more appalling—368 persons, average income per person \$1.82 and seventeen cases with no income.

We doubt, Sir, if there will be one of your readers able to imagine how low and what sort of life can be supported in Hongkong on \$4 or \$3 or less than \$2 monthly per person in family.

We will not harry your readers with details of our worst cases. But why do we supply milk foods? Because the children are brought to us by mothers who are themselves so ill fed that they have no milk for their babies.

Why do we buy medicines? Because our children do not die—but cling in suffering to something we may call life but for which mere existence is all too good a name.

Without the Protection of the Society for the Protection of Children, or the alternative of a costly municipal service, childhood passed in such circumstances will inevitably reduce those bitterly helpless adults who must be a burden and may be a danger to the community to which they, your readers and ourselves belong.

STIGMA ON COLONY

The present appeal is at once a tribute to our retiring Governor and an endeavour to lessen what should be regarded as a stigma on the fair fame of the Colony.

Sir, we have trespassed enough on your forbearance.

But because you have always generously opened your columns in aid of unfortunate sufferers we appeal to you confidently for the publication of this letter and such other publicity as you may care to accord the present appeal.

The President, Vice-President and Committee Members of the Society for the Protection of Children have initiated the "Sir William Peel" Fund with contributions from themselves amounting up to date to \$8,550.

I enclose a list of these and hope you will find them of sufficient interest to merit the favour of publication.

Subscriptions to the "Sir William Peel Fund for the Protection of Children" will be received and gratefully acknowledged by Mr. A. McKellar, C.A., c/o Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., P. O. Building, or Mr. Kwok Chan c/o Banque de l'Indo-Chine, 5 Queen's Road Central.

SHOUBON CHOW, President of the Society for the Protection of Children.

G. P. D. MARTIN, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Contributions to the fund may

MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL

MORE EVIDENCE AT SESSIONS

The trial of Lung Yim, motor lorry driver, on a charge of manslaughter, was continued at the Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice, Mr. A. D. A. MacGregor.

The victim of the accident was Lau Cheuk-so, aged seven, who died from appalling injuries sustained when a lorry, laden with iron bars, collided with a Fiat car carrying deceased and seven other passengers on Island Road on January 29. All the passengers were injured.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, alleged yesterday that the lorry was overloaded by a ton and that the driver's side view was partially obscured.

Mr. T. C. H. Lam, instructed by Mr. P. H. Sin, appeared for accused who pleaded "Not Guilty."

This morning, evidence was given by Hau Ching-to, (20), of 16, Ming Fat Street, who said he was a passenger in the car, which also contained two of his brothers, Hau Ching-kai and Hau Chiu-siu, the driver of the car.

Just before the impact, the car was about four feet from its near side of the road and going slowly uphill. The lorry was in the middle of the road and made no effort to draw in. Instead, it came obliquely across the road and struck the middle right side of the car. Witness was injured and was taken to hospital.

Cross-examined, Hau Ching-to said he was not sure that the car was four feet from its left side. It was about four feet.

Mr. Lim I suggest that the car was going to 25 m.p.h.—I do not know what speed it was in miles per hour.

And that the car was at least eight feet from its near side?—I don't know.

I also suggest that it was your car trying to cut back to its own side that caused the collision?—No.

Shun Po-chung, (16), another passenger in the car, said they were going at an ordinary speed.

OTHER EVIDENCE

In reply to Mr. Lim, witness said the car swerved to the left just before the lorry came across the road.

Lau Ching-hay, a 10-year-old passenger, gave similar evidence.

Hong Mun-tong, public car driver, said he met the car in the Island Road, when it appeared to be driven in a normal manner. Immediately afterwards, witness heard a police whistle and after consulting with his two passengers, he turned his car back and came to the scene of the accident.

After making a report to Aberdeen Police Station, he took the injured people to hospital.

Mr. Lau, a Christian minister, and a passenger in the car, corroborated.

Sergt. Dall and Sergt. Fryer gave evidence on the positions of the vehicles and the latter testified as to an examination of the lorry brakes.

On going downhill, Sergt. Fryer said, the lorry's load took charge of the vehicle. The foot brake had little effect in slowing down and the hand brake slightly more effect, and he changed down to second gear.

Sergt. Clarke testified as to the position of the vehicles after the accident.

Lo Tai-wai, transport manager, said the lorry belonged to accused's relatives and witness hired him to take building material to the new gas site at Stanley.

In cross-examination witness said the lorry was loaded by coolies and the load was not handled by accused. Witness had given definite instructions that the load was not to exceed two tons.

Re-examined, witness agreed that the driver had power to order the lorry to be loaded in any manner he liked.

The hearing is proceeding.

also be forwarded to the S. C. M. Post or Hongkong Telegraph.

FIRST LIST

Contributions by the President and Vice Presidents and members of the General and Executive Committees of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

Mr. Wai Shu-pak	\$5,000
Sir Robert Ho Tung	1,000
Mr. Tang Shiu Kin, M.B.E.	500
Mr. M. Grayburn	250
Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, C.M.G.	100
Hon. Sir Thomas and Lady Southern	100
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga	100
Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G.	50
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Hon. Mr. M. Hazlerigg	100
Hon. Sir William Shenton	100
Mr. F. H. Kwok	100
Mr. M. K. Lo	100
Mr. F. H. Losby	100
Mr. E. M. Raymond	100
Mr. P. H. Sin	100
Miss A. E. E. Steele	50
Total	\$8,550

DEFENCE AGAINST AIR RAID

(Continued from Page 1.)

counts of the weakness of the British air forces and pointed out that only France and Russia possessed a substantially greater first-line strength. The United States and Italy had only a small margin of superiority in numbers of aircraft, and they had actually less qualified pilots on the active list than the Royal Air Force.

The machines at the disposal of the Royal Air Force were inferior to none in design and performance, but technical progress was so rapid that a strenuous re-equipment programme was necessary, in addition to an increase in the total numbers. Sir Philip hoped it would be possible in the future to shorten the time taken to bring new types into production.

MORE AERODROMES

The British aircraft industry was more than holding its own, and the value of its exports in 1934 rose by 31 per cent. Twenty-nine foreign countries were using British aeroplanes, and 85 were using British aero engines. Meanwhile, the expansion of the Royal Air Force necessitated in the first place, additional stations and aerodromes, and this accounted for the greater part of the increase of approximately 8 1/2 million pounds on the last 1934 Estimates.—British Wireless.

ILLEGAL STILL DISCOVERED

HEAVY FINE IMPOSED

A fine of \$500, with the alternative of six months' hard labour, was imposed on Kwan Fu, aged 28, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to four charges relating to the distilling of Chinese spirits, when he appeared before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

The defendant was charged with (a) distilling Chinese spirits on March 18 at No. 10 Sai Yeung Choi Street, second floor; (b) possession of distillable spirits; (c) possession of a still and apparatus without a licence; and (d) possession of fermenting material.

Revenue Officer Humphrey, who prosecuted stated that the spirits were distilled in a European-style house in Sai Yeung Choi Street. In the process of making the wine, a considerable amount of water was wasted. There was quite a large business going on and when the defendant was arrested, he admitted that six drums containing four gallons of wine each, had just been sent out.

PROTECTING GUILDER

HOLLAND'S GREAT ECONOMIES

The Hague, March 19. A Government Bill has been introduced, which provides for economies of £3,500,000 to protect the guilder, in view of the tense European situation, following the resignation of the Belgian Cabinet.

—Reuters.

The local branch of the Mercantile Bank of India has received a telegram from its Head Office in London advising that at the annual general meeting of shareholders a final dividend of 6 per cent. on the "A" and "C" shares will be recommended (making 12 per cent. for the year less Income Tax): £10,000 written off Land and House Property and £172,000 carried forward to 1935 account.

POWERS TO PLAN POLICY

(Continued from Page 1.)

French request to visit Paris before he visits Berlin; and fourthly, France is planning to send M. Laval, her Foreign Minister, to Moscow, next week, in an effort to ally Russia to her cause in the event of a clash with Germany.

GERMANY ANGERED

The German satisfaction at the reception given to their announcement of conscription has turned to anger since it has been realised that Britain is not ready to negotiate on the basis that re-armament is already an accomplished fact, but rather on the basis of the hated Treaty of Versailles.

This attitude was clearly specified in yesterday's British note. It is indicated, however, that Germany will re-iterate to Sir John Simon, when he visits Berlin, that re-armament is a fact and that the Versailles Treaty cannot be the starting point for negotiations.—United Press.

U. S. HAS NO PLAN

Washington, Mar. 19. It is learned authoritatively that President Roosevelt has no plans for immediate action in Europe. It is understood that he feels that the situation should be studied very carefully. Meanwhile, he believes tension has been eased due to the belief that the crisis has been diminished, at least temporarily, due to the British delegation's plan to visit Berlin on Sunday. This will give the European chancelleries nearly a week in which to discuss the situation and will avoid hurry and confusion which might result in panic.

Time will also be afforded France to mend her fences through an attempt to strengthen her relations with the Balkan nations, the Little Entente, and to arrive at an understanding with Russia.—United Press.

DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY

London, Mar. 19. The situation created by the German Government's announcement of last Saturday of their intention to introduce conscription, and by subsequent developments, is likely to be fully discussed in the course of a debate on foreign affairs which has been arranged for Thursday in the House of Commons.

Meanwhile, consultation between the British, French and Italian Governments continues through diplomatic channels. Sir John Simon received a visit from the French Ambassador, M. Corbin, this morning and again in the afternoon. He also saw the Italian Ambassador, Signor Grandi, and Sir George Clerk, British Ambassador at Paris, who is temporarily in London, while Mr. Eden received a call from the Russian Ambassador, M. Malysky.—British Wireless.

MARKET STILL UNCERTAIN

The official rate of the Hongkong dollar on opening this morning was 1s. 11 1/2d., a decline of 1/4th on yesterday's closing rate. The market was uncertain on opening, rates varying, with sellers at 1s. 11 1/2d./16d. and buyers at 7 1/4d. Shanghai opened at 1s. 7 1/4d., then receded to 1s. 7 1/4d. and reverting to the opening figure.

In London, silver declined 1/16th. America and speculators bought, whilst India and China sold.

Mr. M. J. B. Montargis gave an interesting talk at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday on "A Five Weeks' Trip in French Indo-China and Yunnan."

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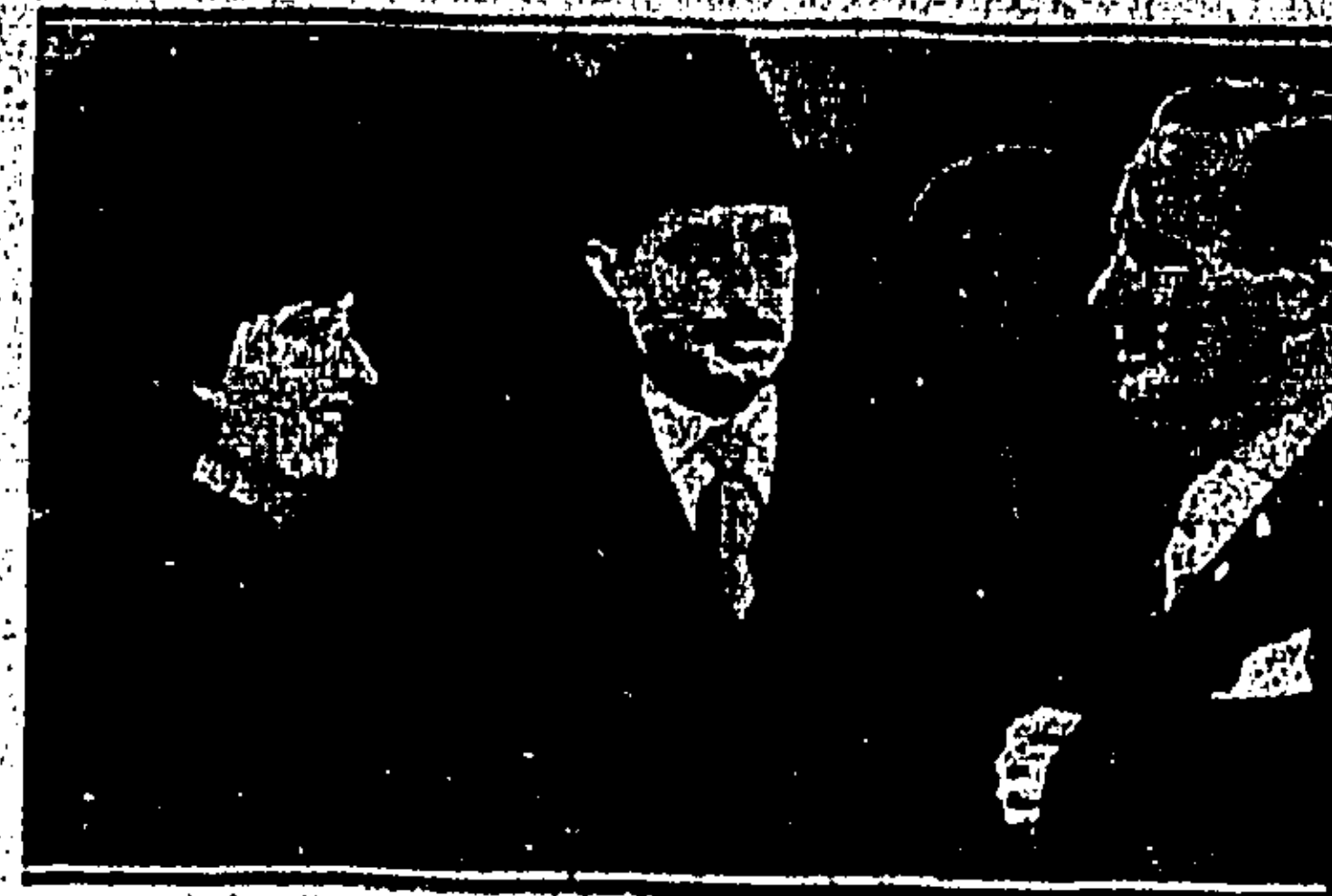
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TOWN PLANNING EXPERT

MR. TATHAM LEAVES FOR JAPAN

Mr. C. L. Tatham, well-known civil engineer and town planning expert, who has for some time past been engaged on work connected with the new Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building, left Hongkong to-day for a tour through Japan, having completed his service with Messrs. Logan and Amps. Whilst in Japan, he hopes to gain further knowledge of town planning, and, on his return to the Colony, will decide whether to return to Australia or to remain in the Far East.

Mr. Tatham started his professional career as cadet to the Municipality of Perth, Western Australia, in which he served for three years. He was then for a further period of three years with the Australian Expeditionary Force in France, during the Great War, in which he was mentioned in despatches. In 1918 and 1919, he was with Messrs. Trollope and Colls, London, under Dr. Faber, engaged in design steel work, framing and reinforced concrete. In 1921, he was appointed civil engineer in charge of construction of the Yarraville terminal 50,000 K.W. stepdown station for the 132,000 volt transmission line from Yal-lourn, Victoria.

In 1923, Mr. Tatham joined the Singapore Improvement Trust, and remained there for six years, one year as assistant and five years as Senior Assistant, Town Planner and Engineer to the Manager. Here he gained much valuable experience in town planning under Mr. E. P. Richards, the first Deputy Chairman of the Trust, whose work has been most successful. In 1927-28, Mr. Tatham secured leave from the Straits Settlements Government to proceed to the London University, where, for two years, he studied under Professor S.D. Adshad, Past President of the Town Planning Institute.

TOWN PLANNING STUDIES

In 1930, Mr. Tatham studied the latest developments in engineering and town planning in New York City, and in the same year he was engaged on a topographical and hydraulic survey for the Greek Government. It is of interest to note that he has studied various aspects of town planning in Greece, France, Germany, New York, England, Singapore and the F.M.S., and is of opinion that town planning is as essential for the East as for the West.

Mr. Tatham holds the certificate of the London University for town planning, is an Associate Member of the Town Planning Institute, and Associate Member of the Institute of Engineers, Australia.

When the Great War broke out, Mr. Tatham, having had previous military training in Australia, was given the responsibility of organising the training of infantry reinforcements. In 1916, he was selected by the C.R.E. to organise and train a half company of Pioneers, and when these were ready to join the main battalion he was made senior officer in charge of the transport. Battalion, which conveyed some 300 war prisoners from Fremantle to Melbourne. He then proceeded to France, with the rank of Lieutenant, and whilst there his duties included all classes of military engineering—bridges, railway, and gun emplacements, being attached to the Royal Engineers for gas attacks.

WOUNDED IN WAR

During his war service, Mr. Tatham took an active part in the big attacks at Messines, Zonnebec and the final Somme attack in 1918, having prepared the roads and bridges for the big advance. Whilst in charge of the Company making an advance attack at Bray, in the Somme, he was badly wounded in the face, arm and leg. Mr. Tatham, who rose to the rank of Captain, received special mention in despatches in 1917 for distinguished services and devotion to duty.

HELENA MAY CONCERT

GOOD PROGRAMME ARRANGED

A most attractive programme has been arranged for the final musicale of the season at the Helena May Institute to-morrow (Thursday) at 5.30 p.m. It is as follows:

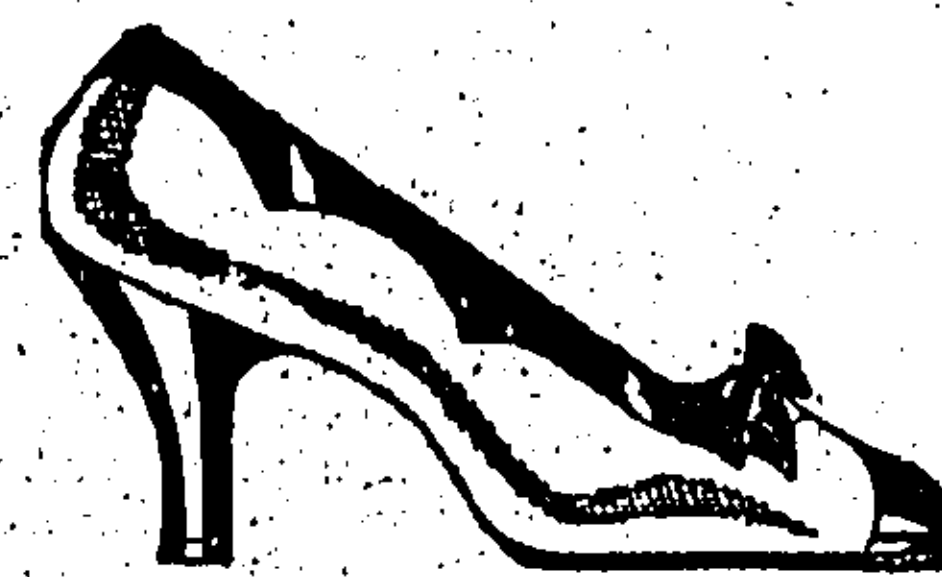
- 1.—Prelude and Fugue in C minor Bach
 - 2.—Variations in F Mozart
 - 3.—Sonata Characteristique, Op. 81A, in E flat Beethoven
 - (a) Les Adieux: Adagio, Allegro. (b) L'Absence: Andante espressivo. (c) Le Retour: Vivacissimamente. Mr. H. Ore
 - 4.—Recit: Glusce alfin il momento (Now the moment approaches) Aria: Del Vieni, non tardar (Oh! hasten, my love, do not delay) Mozart
 - 5.—Aria: Non so piu cosa son (I forget what I am, what I'm doing) Mozart
 - 6.—(a) Prelude in E minor Chopin (b) Etude in C minor Chopin
 - 7.—Scherzo Cyril Scott
 - 8.—Aphrodite Cyril Scott
 - 9.—(a) Gavotte, Op. 12 Harry Ore (b) Menuet, Op. 16 Harry Ore (c) Bagatelle, Op. 21 Harry Ore
 - 10.—(a) Star Vclino Salvatore Rosa (b) Twilight Fancies Dellius (c) My Heart is in Bloom Brahms
 - (d) A Piper Michael Head (e) Spring C. V. Stanford
 - 11.—Concerto in E flat Liszt
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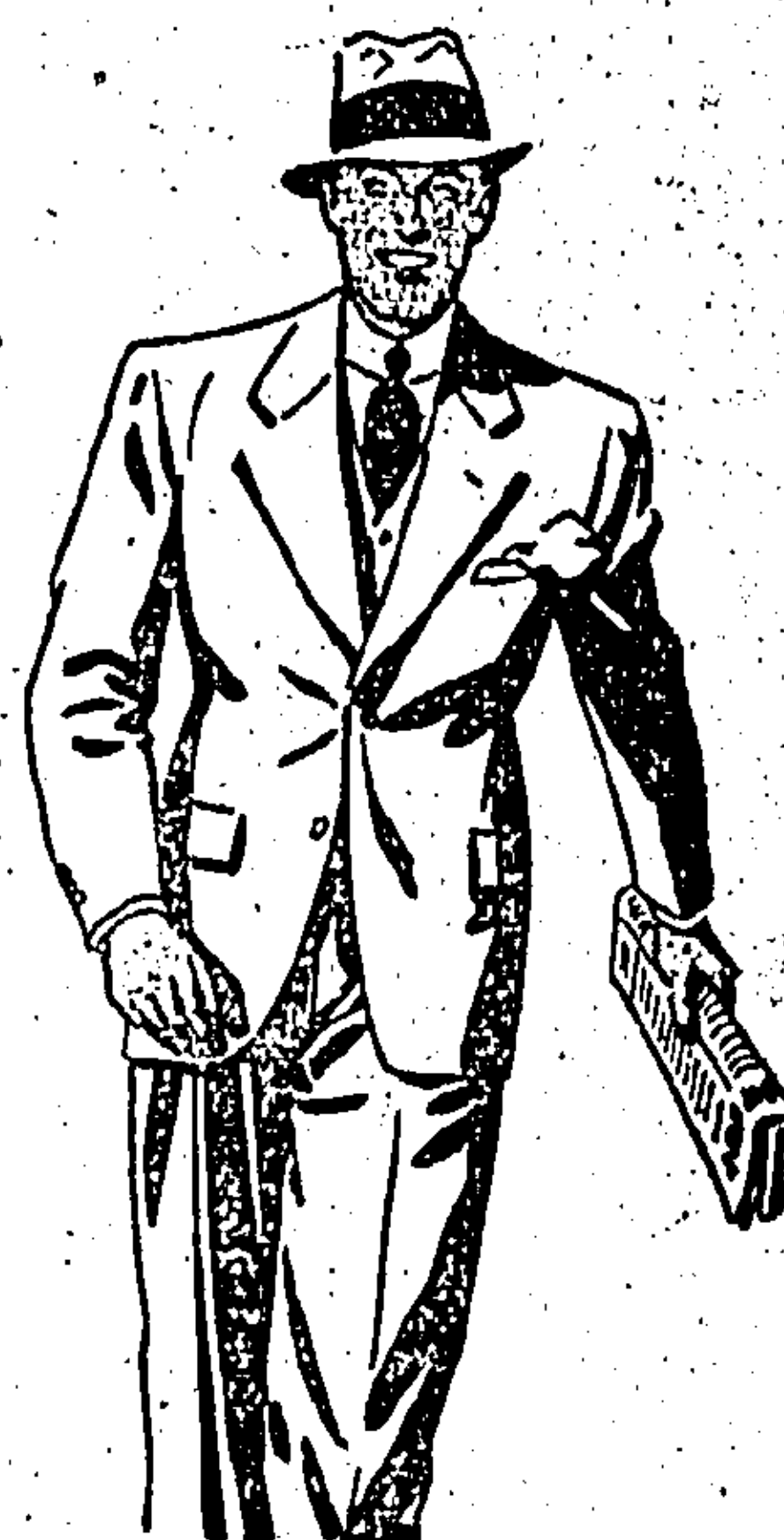
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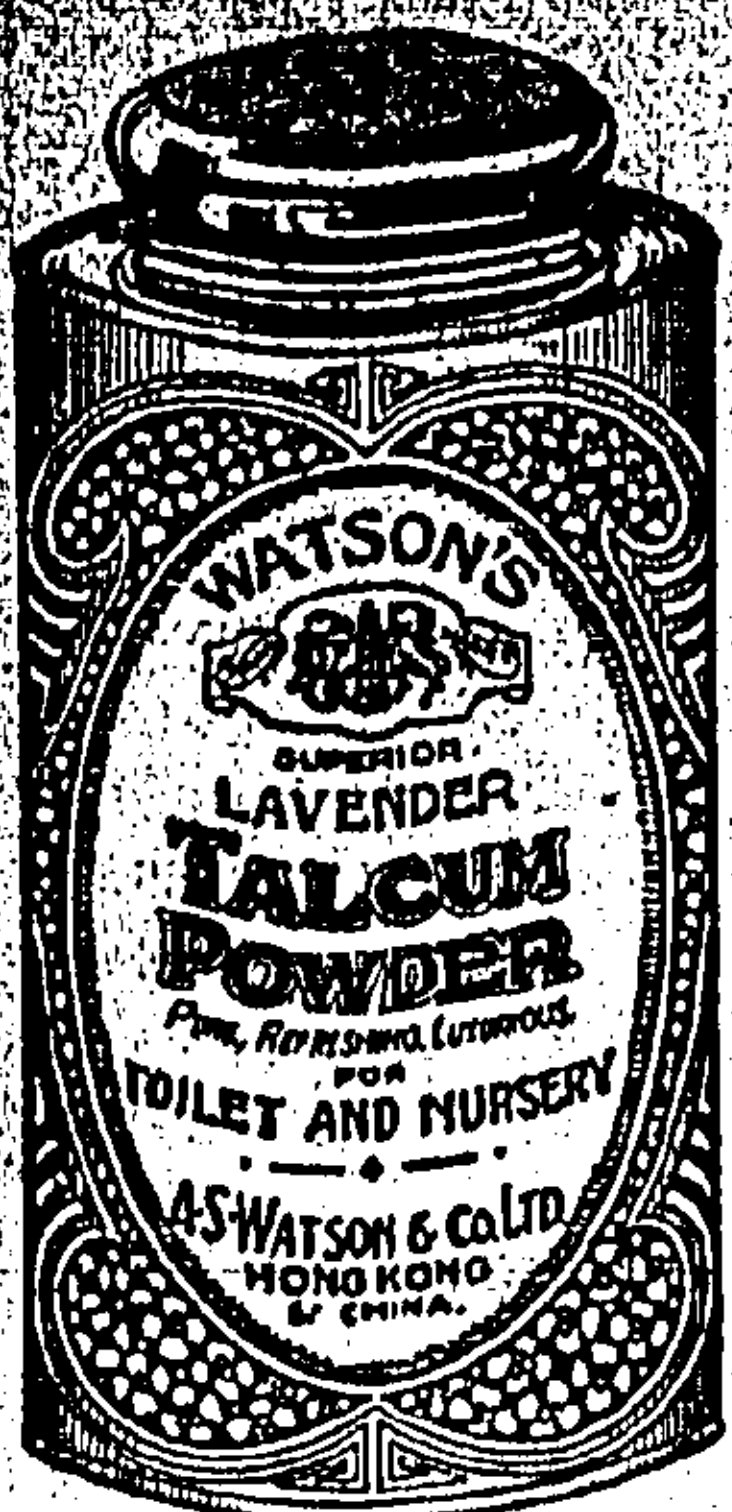
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NO OCCASION FOR ALARM

World reaction to Germany's action in unilaterally denouncing the Versailles Treaty may be expressed by saying that whilst the development is widely criticised, very little real alarm has been occasioned. France and Russia would appear to be most seriously concerned over the turn of events, but there is apparent a general tendency to await further developments, especially the outcome of the visit of Sir John Simon and Mr. Anthony Eden to Berlin. There was a fear at first that this visit might have to be cancelled, but enquiries made through the appropriate channels have been met with a reply by the German Government of a willingness to discuss the whole question of European security with the British envoys. Britain's attitude in the face of the German re-armament decision has been strictly correct. A protest has been registered at the flouting of the Versailles Treaty, coupled with an enquiry whether the visit to Berlin, on the lines originally laid down, were desired. Only on receiving a definite assurance on the latter point has the British Government decided to send the Foreign Secretary and Mr. Eden to Berlin. A point of vital importance is that Germany has agreed that the matters to be discussed with the British delegates shall be a general settlement freely negotiated between Germany and the other Powers, and an agreement regarding armaments which, in the case of Germany, is to replace the disarmament provisions of the Versailles Treaty. This was the intention from the start, and although Germany has taken matters into her own hands by deciding not to respect the treaty stipulations, she still adheres to her oft-repeated willingness to negotiate an international agreement for the regulation of armaments. It is true that Dr. Goebbels is credited with saying that henceforth Germany's defences will be entrusted to Germany's own power, but it is possible to place too literal an interpretation on this utterance. The dominant point is that official German pronouncements all indicate an inclination to seek a general agreement with the Powers concerned in stabilising the European situation. It will, however, not be possible to put Germany's sincerity in this matter to the test until the British envoys have had the opportunity of exploring the whole position in their talks with Herr Hitler and his colleagues. The mere fact that the recent Anglo-French conversations presupposed a variation, to Germany's advantage, of the disarmament clauses of the

NOTES OF THE DAY

STOLEN DOGS

It is common knowledge that many of the dogs stolen in Hong Kong find their way to Chinese shops which sell dog-flesh for human consumption. Recently, as the result of a smart piece of work, the police came across three valuable Alsatians in one of these shops and were fortunately able to lay hands on them whilst they were still alive. One of the parties involved in the theft of the animals got a six-month sentence when charged at the Police Court. Of the three dogs, one of which was worth at least a thousand dollars, two were eventually restored to their owners as the result of an advertisement, but the other, a fine-looking bitch, still awaits a claimant at the Dogs' Home. This case is but one of many in which dogs have mysteriously disappeared. Only last week, the carcass of a pointer, with its head completely severed from its body, was found in an empty flat in Kowloon, the thief being eventually caught and sent to prison. Numbers of stolen dogs are also known to be taken out of the Colony and sold for human consumption. Taking all the circumstances into consideration, it is by no means easy to trace missing animals, but owners should, in their own interest, immediately report to the police when their dogs disappear. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is working in close and beneficial co-operation with the authorities in all matters pertaining to the well-being of dumb creatures, and it would be most fitting if it now embarked on a definite campaign aimed at suppressing dog-stealing in the Colony.

COSTLIER CRUISERS

Collusion on the part of large shipbuilding firms which practically monopolise United States Government contracts is the explanation deduced by several members of the Senate Military Investigating Committee for the fact that bid prices on naval cruisers doubled between December, 1932, and August, 1934, says the *Christian Science Monitor* in an outspoken editorial. Until recently the committee had only circumstantial evidence on which to base this conclusion. A former shipbuilder now at odds with his colleagues told tales on them. "General knowledge" of their practice, he said, enabled him to write out a correct list of the ships each company would get ten days before the bids were placed with the Navy Department. An estimator from the New York Shipbuilding Corporation testified he prepared detailed cost estimates only on certain ships because he was instructed to do so by his superiors. The committee's star witness was an assistant who had sat in the office of the president of the New York company and heard him discuss with heads of other companies over the telephone which ships each company would like to build and how the bids should be framed to achieve the desired result. Here was first-hand testimony from a man who successfully evaded committee subpoenas for a time and apparently had no personal reason to accuse his former associates.

WATCHING GENEVA

Ever since their "interested observers" brought back news from Geneva in 1927 that disarmament negotiations were breaking down, the private shipyards have found the United States Government their best and almost only customer. With a continually expanding naval building programme, ship firms have been saved from bankruptcy and put on an encouraging footing while industry in general was feeling one of the greatest slumps in history. It would be unfair to draw hasty conclusions on the charges of collusion, originally made by a disgruntled shipbuilder who has been unable to get any government contracts for his new company. To avoid such criticism the committee has spent more than two weeks taking testimony on this point. It has been established that the N.R.A. codes can be held responsible for only a small fraction of the jump in prices. Any gaps in the evidence are due to failure of witnesses to appear, conflicting testimony and refusal of a former president of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation to expose himself to possible self-incrimination. The committee is doing its utmost to get at the facts. If the real answer is collusion or meditated evasion of government bidding rules, then the \$10,000 being spent by the committee on this phase of its investigation will be saved many times over when cruiser prices are deflated to their normal level.

Verailles Treaty, does somewhat lessen the seriousness of Germany's latest action, irregular though it is. Meanwhile, it is to be hoped that nothing will occur to further aggravate the situation; certainly nothing is to be gained by taking alarmist views of the position or by conjuring up remote possibilities.

PROTECTION FAILED IN BRITAIN

By **SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR**

THE Protectionists, disappointed by the results hitherto achieved by tariffs, are vociferously demanding higher tariffs—like the victim of the habit-forming drug who demands ever larger doses of his fatal medicine. Yet by every criterion by which the Protectionists chose to invite judgment when they introduced the Import Duties Bill in 1932 Protection has failed. "First of all," said the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "we desire to correct the balance of payments." But already our departure from the gold standard was making an automatic correction—the utility of expecting tariffs to increase exports at a faster rate than imports is shown by a comparison between the figures of our trade for January to November of last year and those of the same months in the previous year—an increase of less than 5 per cent. in exports and re-exports, accompanied by an increase of not quite 10 per cent. in imports.

So the "adverse balance" of visible trade is actually increasing while our invisible exports, such as the earnings on our shipping and the interest on our foreign loans, find increasing obstacles. In our tariffs and quotas, as our Australian debtors have been forcefully pointing out.

"Then we desire," went on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "to fortify the finances of the country." For the financial year ending last March the yield of the new duties was \$35 millions. This is an increase of only 4.38 per cent. in our National Revenue, and far from using it to "fortify our finances," the Government are frittering it away in subsidies which are in themselves a confession of the failure of their economic policy.

"We propose," continued the Chancellor, "to transfer to our own factories and our own fields work which is now done elsewhere."

As regards the transfer of work to our fields, judgment must be given on the figures of agricultural employment which, far from increasing, fell from 829,078 in 1931 to 799,800 in 1934. As regards our factories, employment is, of course, improving here, as in other countries, as the world gradually recovers from the slump; but the people are not being told the truth by Ministers about the British share in world recovery.

A had example of a half-truth was Mr. Baldwin's recent speech at Bristol when he said that if you compared the figures of the industrial output of various countries during the first six months of 1934 with their output during the first six months of 1928, eight important countries suffered substantial declines, whereas we had scored a slight increase.

That was true, of course, but he omitted to mention the other half of the truth—that there had been many other increases in production besides our own, and that while the increase in our industrial output in the period selected by him was only 4.6 per cent., that of Sweden had increased by over 7 per cent., of Rumania by over 18 per cent., of Denmark and Chile by over 23 per cent., and of Japan by over 49 per cent.

Idle shipping, grass-grown quays, impoverished fishermen, bankrupt traders, the collapse into "depression areas"—at a time when world

trade is improving—of the thriving centres of our export trade these are the fruits of tariffs and quotas. "We mean also to use it," said the Chancellor, "for negotiations with foreign countries." Yet since we adopted Protection fifteen countries have imposed or increased quota restrictions on the import of British goods and many more countries have increased their tariffs against our exports. The boasted Trading Agreements have been but narrow loopholes drilled in these new and formidable obstructions, the growth of which our tariffs have not availed to prevent but have, on the contrary, stimulated.

"Last but not least," concluded Mr. Chamberlain, "we are going to take the opportunity of offering advantages to the Empire in return for the advantages which they now give or in the future may be disposed to give to us"—a forecast of Ottawa, that breeding ground of tariffs, quotas and dangerous and unedifying dissensions between the Mother Country and the Dominions.

Therefore, judged by every criterion chosen by Mr. Chamberlain himself, the policy of Protection has failed.

There are many powerful forces making for recovery from the slump, and credit should be given to the Government for the restoration of financial confidence, for the debt conversions, and for cheap money. Still more credit should be given to the patience, courage, enterprise and ingenuity of the British people—workmen, employers, trade unionists, merchants, and men and women in every kind of occupation, divided by many differences of abstract theory, but of one resolve, to overcome obstacles, whether created by foreign Governments and competitors or by our own Government, and to make a success of their own job.

It is this spirit, and not the complacency of Ministers, which foreign observers find so admirable. The astonishing and disquieting thing is that in spite of all the conditions favourable to trade revival and in spite of the unprecedented power which we now possess of producing cheaply and in vast quantities all the requirements of civilised existence, the rate of recovery has been slowed down throughout the present year and hardly any impression has been made upon the figures of unemployment during the last half of the year.

The Protectionists tell us to improve trade by increasing the obstacles for it to overcome. If tariffs have failed, the remedy is more tariffs. They would repeat in the sphere of economics the methods of Passchendaele.

It is not by organising scarcity and by reducing supply that the crisis can be overcome and employment restored to our people. The object of policy should be to increase demand by encouraging investment, by reopening the channels of trade, by stabilising exchanges (methods which are inconsistent with the militant conceptions of Protectionist economics), and by directing resources under Government leadership to the improvement of our industrial, social, and educational organisation and equipment.

The Very Idea!

THE UNDYING EGG
By Horatio Bogg, Conservative

PINCHING myself for an idea yesterday, a folk who had just finished a cabled item from Home, called over to us that there were great possibilities in a Chinese egg.

So there were, we told him—possibilities which it was unwise to explore if the egg had to be broken. Let us not be misunderstood. As a devoted friend of things Chinese, we shall continue to defend their chief representative with ardour, where the question of its honour and integrity is at stake. But the astronomical figures in which the life of a Chinese egg has been calculated, has opened up for us a fascinating field for retrospective inquiry.

A Chinese dinner we had once eaten, had as one of the principal attractions, "Thousand Thousand Years Eggs".

What extraordinary powers for survival does this not indicate—a term which could lightly count the years as days, and span the interval of probably centuries before the eggs appeared in their final form that night at the banquet table?

For all we know to the contrary, the egg we were eating might have been the very one that old Confucius held up to the world of his times as something to be venerated—an emblem of age and longevity? Or that same egg which could have been Humpty Dumpty in the thousand-year-old nursery rhyme, but was not?

It was characteristically romantic of Bogg (who had been called an egg by readers of this column) that when placed thus aside by old with his Chinese prototype, he should feel himself a youngster—a mere stripling by comparison of years.

So it is that a respect (which he says he is ready to accord all persons who claim to be his superiors in years) has thereafter prevented Bogg from speaking ill of the Chinese egg.

The only condition he imposes when a practical research is being carried out, is that he be provided with a gas mask.

BUMB-BELLES LETTRES

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New Clue In Murder Case

HEADLESS BODY DISCOVERED

POLICE STILL BAFFLED

London, March 19. The possibility of a solution being found to the baffling "legs mystery" has been opened up by the discovery in the Grand Union Canal, near Brentford, of the trunk of a male body, minus the legs, head and one hand.

On February 25 a set of human legs was found in a paper parcel under the seat of a coach in London's Waterloo station, and police have long sought three men whose actions led authorities to suspect that they might be able to throw some light on the crime.

The trunk, discovered to-day, which had been in the water some time, was seen floating in the canal by children.

Police were informed and Criminal Investigation Department officers were rushed to the scene.

Brentford is on the line taken by the train in which the legs were discovered last month.—*Reuter*.

Lloyds Shorten War Odds

CHANCES OF PEACE LESS CERTAIN

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 19. Lloyds Underwriters have to-day reduced the odds against war involving Great Britain within one year, to ten to one against.

The odds against a war involving France and Germany have likewise been reduced to seven to one.

These odds compare with nineteen to one and twenty-five to one respectively which were quoted in January this year.—*United Press*.

Soviet Arrests Ex-Czarists

PLOTTING ON BEHALF OF FOREIGN POWER

Moscow, March 19. The police have rounded up and arrested over 1,000 Czarist ex-officers, ex-noblemen and ex-officials in Leningrad, it was officially announced to-day.

The Government states that some of those seized will be charged with anti-Soviet activities on behalf of a foreign power, which is unnamed.

Others of those arrested have already been sent to the prison mines in Siberia.—*Reuter*.

SHAI MARKET REPORT

UNDERTONE UNEASY FOR EXCHANGE

Shanghai, March 20. The Foreign Exchange Market is slightly firmer here this morning.

The undertone, however, is uneasy owing to the continued agitation for the Realty Company bond issue. On account of this most traders are holding aloof.

Some speculators appear inclined to buy exchange.

The Central Bank sold sterling early which tended to steady the market, but there was an easier tendency immediately afterwards.

TRADE SLUMP IN SHANGHAI

IMPORT TOTAL FAR BELOW LAST YEAR

Shanghai, Mar. 20. The extent of the business slump in Shanghai is shown by the Customs' returns for February, just issued.

The total value of imports into Shanghai for the month was \$40,214,926, representing a reduction of \$6,444,375 when compared with figures of the corresponding month last year, while the total value of exports from Shanghai was \$20,880,938.—*Central News*.

The Wing On Co., Ltd., announces that an annual Spring Sale has been started from to-day.

TURMOIL AFTER CABINET FALL

GOLD BLOC STOCK DECLINES

FRANCE FAILS TO BACK BELGIUM WITH LOAN

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

It is learned from New York, says the *United Press*, that the resignation of the Belgian Government has thrown the foreign exchange market into turmoil. The Belgian franc has already fallen ten points, to 2350, and the currencies of all the Gold Bloc nations, followed the Belgian unit in sympathy. The pound, however, which opened at 4.74, rose to 4.763.

A despatch through *Reuter* from Paris attributes the fall of the Belgian Cabinet to the failure of France to support the belga with a loan, which, according to earlier reports, had been promised.

There are reasons to believe, *Reuter* adds, that President Roosevelt will call a currency parley of nations.

Brussels, March 19. M. Theunis, at the opening of the Chamber of Deputies here to-day, read a statement declaring that the Government had encountered too formidable opposition in its efforts for financial and economic rehabilitation, and therefore would be obliged to resign.

At present its efforts would be centred upon the formation of a new Government which would include Socialists in addition to the Liberals and Catholics from the fallen Government.

The King of the Belgians to-day held a conference with the Socialist leader M. Vandervelde, in the Royal Palace.

The position regarding the gold standard in Belgium is at present uncertain.

It is worthy of note that the opinion of the Socialist party is divided regarding the ultimate situation of the belga.—*United Press*.

PARIS OPINION

Paris, March 19. The resignation of the Belgian Cabinet is attributed to the French decision not to grant a 4,000,000,000 francs loan to Belgium and that adequate commercial concessions are impossible.

Paris believes Belgium will follow the sterling group, and owing to the prospects of similar steps by Holland, another of the Gold Bloc nations, it is believed here that President Roosevelt may have an unexpected chance to propose a world currency parley.

A nervous feeling is apparent about all gold currencies. Official French support of the belga this afternoon suggests that the hope of helping the Belgian currency to retain its normal level have not been abandoned entirely.

LONDON REPERCUSSION

London, March 19. Immediate repercussions following the resignation of the Belgian Cabinet were felt here and resulted in the rapid improvement of sterling in terms of dollars and francs, in view of the very heavy Continental demand.

The news from Brussels unsettled the Stock Exchange, owing to fears of industrial competition in the event of Belgium going off the gold standard.—*Reuter*.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

TO BE DOING GOOD IS MAN'S MOST GLORIOUS TASK.—*Sophocles*.

The annual dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong will be held in the rooms of the Institution on Friday evening.

A sequel to a collision between a motor lorry, No. 3292, and a tramcar in Queen's Road East, on March 16, was the appearance before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, of Leung Fook, driver of the lorry, charged with dangerous driving, failing to stop after a collision and failing to report. The defendant denied the charges, and hearing was fixed for the afternoon of March 28. Inspector Chester-Woods prosecuted.

A further formal remand of a week was granted when Yeung Kin-ping, whose extradition is sought by the Chinese authorities in Shanghai on a charge of embezzlement of money from the National Postal Savings Bank, appeared before Mr. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning. Chief Detective Inspector Shannon applied for the remand, as Mr. J. A. Fraser, the Assistant Attorney General, was engaged at the Supreme Court. Mr. T. P. K. Kemble said he had notified the Attorney General that it was his intention to-day to ask that a time-limit be fixed for the Crown to begin proceedings, but as Mr. Fraser was engaged in the Supreme Court, he would make his application next week.

KARACHI MASSACRE PREVENTED

BRITISH TROOPS FIRE ON MOB

SWIFT ACTION APPLAUDED

Karachi, March 19. The prompt and firm action of the authorities, when troops were ordered to open fire on a riotous and dangerous mob of Moslems, here, prevented a serious situation from developing and saved from massacre thousands of defenceless Hindu women and children, is the view expressed by several responsible Indian residents to-day.

British troops saved the city from a terrible catastrophe, said one prominent inhabitant.

Though the city is now outwardly normal there is an air of subdued excitement still, and the British soldiers continue to patrol the streets, fearing renewed violence.

Rioting broke out when a Moslem, convicted of murdering a Hindu, was hanged. Crowds seized his body, after opening the grave, and paraded with it. The mob stoned police who attempted to secure the corpse. When persuasion proved useless and the violence continued, and there was danger of trouble spreading, troops were called out. A volley shattered resistance and panic ensued.

There have been 200 casualties, among them many dead.—*Reuter*.

St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade are holding their annual ball at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday April 6, under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, and Lady Peel.

Seen in the Officers' Mess at the Shamshupo Camp at 1.35 p.m. yesterday, To Choi, aged 26, a carpenter, was arrested and taken to the Shamshupo Police Station. On appearing before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, he failed to give a satisfactory account of himself and was fined \$5, with the alternative of seven days' hard labour.

Yeung Lok, aged 23, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and was sentenced to one month's hard labour for stealing a cobbler's licence and his tools at Hong Lok Street on March 17. Detective-Sergeant Kennedy stated that the complainant, Chai Ben, aged 44, left his cobbler's licence at his shop, and when he returned he found that everything had gone, including his tools and licence.

CINEMA PRICES

Shareholder Suggests Reduction

TO BE CONSIDERED

The advisability of lowering the scale of admission to the King's Theatre was suggested by a shareholder, Mr. Charles N. Sherman, at the fifth annual meeting of the Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., held at the registered office of the company in King's Theatre Building at noon to-day.

In replying to the suggestion, Sir Shouson Chow, who presided at the meeting, said the matter would receive the careful consideration of the Board of Directors.

Addressing the shareholders, Sir Shouson Chow said:

Gentlemen.—The report and balance sheet of this company for the year ended 31st December, 1934, together with the Auditors' Report, have been in your hand for some days and with your permission I will take them as read. You will see from Profit and Loss Account that the balance from Working Account shows a slight increase in the earnings of the Theatre as compared with those of the preceding year (thanks to retrenchments effected by your Directors in various directions.) On the other hand, there has been a slight decrease in rents of offices and shops in the King's Theatre Building, due to the fact that we had, in some cases, to reduce the rent in order to help the restaurant and other tenants who were affected by the adverse trade conditions.

SPECIAL PICTURES

During the past year, many well-known films were screened in our Theatre, and for the current year we have selected an even stronger line of special pictures, which I am confident will prove equally popular and entertaining to our patrons.

The net profit for the year, after writing off \$23,541.13 and reserving \$10,000 against film rights, amounts to \$59,953.23 and with the balance of \$1,477.01 brought forward from the previous year, the amount available for distribution is \$61,430.24. Your Directors recommend paying a dividend of 60 cents per share for the year, which I think under the circumstances is satisfactory. This amounts to \$59,914.80 and leaves a balance of \$1,515.44 to be carried forward to next year's account.

I now propose that the report of the Directors and the statement of Accounts as presented be adopted. When this has been seconded I will endeavour to answer to the best of my ability, any questions which Shareholders may wish to ask.

The report and accounts were adopted.

NEW DIRECTORS ELECTED

Sir Shouson Chow then said: The present Directors of the company are: Sir Shouson Chow, Chang Fat, Liang Chi-hao, Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Li Jowson, George Yan Kit-sun, Chang Kwai-cheong, Chang Kwai-lin, Chang Kwai-yuen, Choy Wai-hung, Wong So, Wong Kwong-tin, Sham Pak-ming, Yau Kwai-lap and Tsang Iu-ting, who pursuant to Article No. 69 of the Articles of Association retire but offer themselves for re-election. Under Article No. 68 the number of Directors shall not be less than nine and not more than twenty-one. Your Directors recommend the election of twelve members to form the Directorate of the Company and pursuant to Article No. 76 (1) two of whom to be determined by lot to retire at the end of the current year but to be eligible for re-election.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Chang Kwai-cheong. On the proposal of Mr. Wong Pak-ming, seconded by Mr. Chang Kwai-cheong, the following directors were elected:—Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, and Messrs. Chang Fat, Liang Chi-hao, Li Jowson, George Yan Kit-sun, Chang Kwai-cheong, Chang Kwai-yuen, Chang Kwai-lin, Chang Kwai-on, Wong Kwong-tin and Li Lin-chi.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors at an annual auditors' fee of \$600.

ADMISSION PRICES

Addressing the meeting, Mr. Charles N. Sherman said it had come to his knowledge that another cinema in Hongkong was now presenting first run pictures. He asked the Board of Directors whether they had given consideration to the question of the scale of admission to the King's Theatre, as they all knew that the Colony was going through a period of depression.

Mr. Sherman also drew the meeting's attention to currency depreciation and the fact that travellers visiting local theatres had to pay more than before for had to pay more than before for admission in terms of the local dollar. Regarding the King's Theatre recent reduction of admission charges for the 2.30 p.m. performance, Mr. Sherman wanted to know if the change had met with any success.

Sir Shouson Chow thanked the speaker for raising the question of lowering the price of admission, but he pointed that such a question must at first receive the

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay from the Majestic Ballroom

THE MUSIC MAKERS

From ZBW on a wavelength of 855 metres (845 kilocycles).
4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6-6.15 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.25 p.m. A Concert.
Pianoforte Solos—Mazurka in E Minor, Op. 41, No. 3 (Chopin).
Pianoforte Solos—Gramscawron (Drean Violon). Op. 12, No. 7 (Schumann).
Songs—The Almond Tree (Schumann).
Songs—The Mocking Fairy (Debussy).
Elele Suddaby (Soprano).
Pianoforte Solos—Paganini Etude in E Flat Major (Paganini).
Pianoforte Solos—Debussy's Corner Suite (Debussy).
Songs—Myself when young ("In a Persian Garden") (Lizmann).
Songs—Silent Moon (Vaughan Williams).

Stuart Robertson (Baritone).
7.25-7.45 p.m. Bolero (Ravel) played by William Mengelberg and his Concertgebouw Orchestra.

7.45-8 p.m. Vocal Gems.
The Maid of the Mountains (Frascr-Simson).

Musical Comedy Selection
Garda Hall and George Baker.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.20 p.m. From the Studio.
A Violin Recital by Conrado de la Cruz, accompanied by Nura Kanis.

Programme:
1. Variations—Tartini—Kreisler.
2. Romance—Wagner—Wilhelm.
3. Grandmother's Menuet—Grieg—Elman.

4. Spanish Dance Malagueña—Sarasate.

8.20-8.45 p.m. Variety Items.
Humorous—Scientific of course! Humorous—if you pretend you're Blue.

Murgatroyd and Winterbottom.
Plano Medley—Ronald Gourley.

Vocal—Pop-Eyed Pete.
Vocal—Little Mountain Cabin.

Banjo Solo—Keyboard Kapers.
Mandoline Solo—Mazur.

8.40-9 p.m. Introduction and Allegro for Harp with Strings and Woodwind Accompaniment (Ravel).

9-9.30 p.m. Light Orchestral Selections.
Danube Waves—Waltz (Ivanovitch).

Cover the Waves—Waltz (Rosa).
With a Song in my Heart—Symphonic Rhapsody (Eric Coates).

Helena Waltzer (Offenbach).
Kongreß Waltzer (Strauss—Heymann).

Blind Songs at Eventide (Eric Coates).
Gipsy Moon (Borganoff).

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock & Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10.05 p.m. From the Studio.
Selections by "The Music Makers".

10.05-11 p.m. Majestic Ballroom Dance Orchestra.

10.30 p.m. Press Bulletins, Stock Quotations.

11 p.m. Close Down.

NAZIS FREE PASTORS

IN CUSTODY FOR THREE DAYS

Berlin, March 19. The authorities here have ordered the release of the 100 pastors of the Confessional Church who were taken into custody on Saturday night when it was learned that they intended to read from their pulpits a proclamation against the neo-paganism which was growing up in Germany.

No explanation is given as to the action of the police beyond that, nor is there any ground to believe that the opposition of the pastors has been broken and that they will cease to defend their principles because of their confinement.—*Reuter*.

It is proposed to hold a "Gunner" Reunion at an early date for all ranks (past and present) of the Royal Artillery. The reunion will take the form of a dinner at a local restaurant. It is hoped that all ex-gunners in the Colony will endeavour to attend. Those who wish to do so should communicate with the Hon. Secretary, "Gunner" Reunion Committee, Headquarters Royal Artillery, China Command.

Most careful consideration of the Directors, as prices once lowered would be very hard to bring them back to the old scale again. Sir Shouson Chow cited the case of the Queen's Theatre which once lowered its admission charges, but after a trial of a few months, had to go back to the old scale.

In conclusion, Sir Shouson Chow assured Mr. Sherman that his suggestion would be carefully considered by the Directors in due course.

Those present at the meeting were Sir Shouson Chow (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, Mr. Liang Chi-hao, Mr. George Yan Kit-sun, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. Chang Kwai-cheong, Mr. Chang Kwai-lin, Mr. Chang Kwai-yuen, Mr. Chang Kwai-lap (Directors), Mr. Liang Chi-hao (Managing Director), Mr. George Yan Kit-sun (Secretary), Messrs. Paul M. Hodgson, Charles N. Sherman, Tsang Fook, Li Lin-chi, Wong Pak-fun, Fung Fook-tin.



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LO BROTHERS' SMART WIN IN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

"M. W." CAPTURES 1929 DRIVING FORM

KWOK AND LUK DING-CHEONG OUT-GENERALLED

KENNETH SHUTE SHOOT HIS BOLT

Thanks to a clever win yesterday M. W. and M. K. Lo will meet the Rumjahn cousins in the open doubles championship for the second time in eight years. The previous encounter was in the 1932 semi-final when the cousins won 6-0, 6-1, 5-7, 6-1.

The forthcoming match is for right of entering the semi-final of the current championship, and if the Lo brothers should be successful, this will be their fourth appearance in the Last Four. They were semi-finalists in 1931 and 1929.

Against Tennis Kwok and Luk Ding-cheong yesterday M. W. Lo produced some of his 1929 form, driving with delightful skill and accuracy and scoring many outright points by his adroit placements which in turn found either the middle of the court or the sidelines.

He was very sover on anything short of a length, meeting the ball on the early rise with his short swing forehand and catching his opponents at their feet with fast shots. At the net M. W. flashed out some of his best volleys, obtaining angle without sacrificing force. Behind him M. K. Lo lobbed splendidly and maintained ground stroke rallies in his own imperturbable manner often creating openings for his brother's finishing shots.

WHERE YOUTH FAILED

The losers, despite their youth and enthusiasm did not play with the same understanding. They exposed large gaps of the court when going up to the net and their lobbing was not consistently good. Individually Tennis Kwok was far better than Luk, who suffered a distinct "off day." Luk was not "seeing" the ball and too many times committed errors while poaching.

The clever way in which the Lo's judged the match and applied pressure at the right moment was worthy of such old campaigners and it was in the matter of tactics that they scored so often. On such form the brothers will by no means disgrace themselves against the champions.

Lee Wai-tong qualified to play E. C. Fincher in the third round of the singles by eliminating Kenneth Shute in straight sets.

THE TWINS PASS OUT

Lee took the youngster on face value and without ignoring his first round performance against Drysdale, and his decisive success was therefore ensured. Kenneth held his own quite gallantly in the first set and was happy while the exchanges were long. But Lee's net invasions were generally well timed and Shute lacked the passing shots to keep the Chinese away from the forecourt.

Shute was fairly outplayed in the second set, Lee tightening up his game to reduce mistake to the minimum. The young twins now passed out of the 1935 championships, but they have left an impression, and their appearances in future tournaments will be keenly anticipated. That they will progress on the right lines seems fairly well assured and because of this they can expect to do better and better in succeeding tournaments.

Lee Wai-tong was due to play E. C. Fincher to-day, but the match has been put off until Friday in view of this afternoon's exhibitions in which Fincher is figuring.

Affiliated clubs are reminded that the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association is to take place at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Board Room to-morrow evening, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

SHOCK FOR BURNLEY

DEFEATED AT HOME BY HULL CITY

London, March 19. Hull gave Burnley a shock today when they met in a rearranged second division football match at Burnley. The visitors, who before the match possessed an inferior record, actually won by three goals to one, and thereby jumped four places in the league table. (Reuter.)

Big Badminton Game To-night

RECREIO PLAYING ELIOT HALL

(By "Veritas")

The Club de Recreio are making arrangements to seat 200 spectators this evening for the big badminton league match between the club's "A" team in the first division of the Men's Doubles and Eliot Hall, the powerful University side.

The match has aroused tremendous interest and it is doubtful whether the club will be able to accommodate all of the badminton enthusiasts desiring to see the encounter.

The match starts at half past eight and quite apart from the fact that it brings together the two finest teams in Hongkong, the result is of special significance. Should Eliot Hall succeed in repeating the victory achieved on their own court, the championship is theirs. On the other hand a win for the Recreio will enable them to finish on level terms with Eliot Hall, requiring a play off for the title.

The league is now drawing to a close after a very successful season. It is expected that some time next month the Badminton Association will arrange a special Presentation Night at one of the local clubs, when Champions v. Rest matches will probably be played prior to the presentation of the league trophies.

SOCCER SIDELIGHTS

A long record of splendid service for the Aston Villa team lies before Tom Mort.

London, Mar. 19. Tom Mort, who just attained his 37th birthday, has played the full-back position and plays it well. Mort was born only a few miles from the home ground of the Bolton Wanderers and took a great deal of interest in the home team's fortunes, but the Lancashire club let him slip through their fingers and he was signed up by the Villa. An injury recently placed Mort back in his regular place in the Villa backfield. Danny Blair, the former Toronto boy, who is now team captain, was forced by injuries to take a rest and Mort again went into the first string line. Since his return he has been playing a remarkably strong game and bids fair to be one of Aston Villa's outstanding stars on this year's play.



Sir Samuel Hoare, President of the Lawn Tennis Association, makes the draw for the 1935 Davis Cup. Competition at the India Office, Whitehall, assisted by Mr. H. A. Sabell, Secretary of the L.T.A. on his left. Mr. H. Roper Barrett, Chairman of the Committee of Management, is seated on Sir Samuel's right, and behind him (seated) are Messrs. F. R. L. Crawford, P. W. Rootham, and F. C. Lohden. His Excellency the Brazilian Ambassador, Senhor Regis de Oliveira, is seated at left of the table, and Lady Maud Hoare at right.

ANALYSIS OF DAVIS CUP DRAW

BIG RESPONSIBILITY FOR TWO JAPANESE PLAYERS

AUSTRALIA FIRM FAVOURITES FOR INTER-ZONE FINAL

A recent issue of *Lawn Tennis and Badminton* contains an interesting analysis of the Davis Cup draw made last month in London, and part of the article is reproduced below:

A glance at the European zone draw shows that once again the luck of the draw has bunched together the stronger nations in the lower half. There may not be such a strong pairing that of Australia v. Japan which occurred last year, but Australia must again play through a stiff section if she is to repeat her 1934 performance of winning the group, a feat she may well accomplish with the identical team of last year, reinforced by the great experience of Mr. N. E. Brookes as non-playing captain. Former allies as Australasia, Australia and New Zealand are called on to meet in the first round.

Germany and Italy are also drawn together in the lower half, tying in the second round, the tie may well be speculative. But whichever nation comes through, the result of the lower semi-final will be widely awarded to Australia though it must be remembered that the unexpected sometimes happens to an overseas team, reinforced by the great experience of Mr. N. E. Brookes as non-playing captain. Former allies as Australasia, Australia and New Zealand are called on to meet in the first round. Germany and Italy are also drawn together in the lower half, tying in the second round, the tie may well be speculative. But whichever nation comes through, the result of the lower semi-final will be widely awarded to Australia though it must be remembered that the unexpected sometimes happens to an overseas team, reinforced by the great experience of Mr. N. E. Brookes as non-playing captain. Former allies as Australasia, Australia and New Zealand are called on to meet in the first round.

What of America's chances? Their team is virtually certain to win the American zone and be at hand in England shortly after Wimbledon. The feeling has gained ground in America that the younger generation of their players should now be given an opportunity to come to Europe in quest of the Cup. Through force of circumstances S. B. Wood will probably be the sole survivor from last year's team. Lott and (Continued on Page 9.)

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB

ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The K.C.C. annual tennis tournament for 1935 will be held on the club grounds commencing Saturday, April 6, at 2.30 p.m. Entries close on Saturday, March 30, 1935 at 5 p.m. The Draw and Schedule of matches will be posted on the Club notice board on Wednesday, April 3. All Competitors must acquaint themselves with the dates and times laid down in the schedule. Failure to play off a fixture according to the time-table may lead to disqualification.

EVENTS

Men's Singles Senior Championship (Best of 5 sets throughout); Men's Singles Junior Championship (Best of 5 sets throughout); Men's Handicap Doubles per pair (Enter in pairs—Best of 3 sets throughout); Men's "A" Class Handicap Singles (Best of 3 sets throughout); Men's "B" Class Handicap Singles (Best of 3 sets throughout); Ladies' Singles Championship (Best of 3 sets throughout); Ladies' Singles Handicap (Best of 3 sets throughout); Mixed Doubles Handicap (Enter in pairs—Best of 3 sets throughout).

OUR FORECAST

FOR SATURDAY

The following is the special Telegraph forecast for Saturday's English and Scottish Football League programmes.

FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL	v	Grimsby
BIRMINGHAM	v	Derby
BLACKBURN	v	Preston
LEEDS	v	Wolves
LIVERPOOL	v	HUDDERSFIELD
MANCHESTER C.	v	SUNDERLAND
MIDDLESBROUGH	v	Tottenham
PORTSMOUTH	v	Everton
WEDNESDAY	v	Aston V.
STOKE	v	Leicester
West Bromwich	v	Chelsea

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL	v	Port Vale
BRADFORD	v	Southampton
BRENTFORD	v	Oldham
BURY	v	Manchester U.
FULHAM	v	BOLTON
HULL	v	Swansea
NEWCASTLE	v	Sheffield U.
NORWICH	v	Bradford C.
PLYMOUTH	v	Crystal P.
WEST HAM	v	Notts C.
	v	Barnsley

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

BOURNEMOUTH	v	Brighton
Bristol C.	v	Charlton
Clapton O.	v	Torquay
COVENTRY	v	Queen's P.R.
EXETER	v	Bristol R.
GILLINGHAM	v	Swindon
MILWAU	v	CRYSTAL P.
NEWPORT	v	Southend
NORTHAMPTON	v	Cardiff
READING	v	Aldershot
WATFORD	v	Luton

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barnsley	v	DONCASTER
CARLISLE	v	Hartlepool
CHESTERFIELD	v	Chester

TO BEAT THE BOOK

(By "Robin")

HOME:—

Arsenal
Blackburn
Wednesday
West Bromwich
Brentford
West Ham
Exeter
Reading
Watford
Chesterfield
Tranmere
Wrexham

AWAY:—

Bolton
Charlton
Rangers

DRAW:—

Sunderland
Swansea
Doncaster

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division:
Hullfex v. Darlington
Lincoln v. STOCKPORT
MANSFIELD v. Southport
Rotherham v. York
ROCHDALE v. Crowe
TRANMERE v. Gateshead
WALSLEY v. New Brighton
WREXHAM v. Accrington

FIRST DIVISION

Ayr	v	Celtic
Clyde	v	ABERDEEN
Dundee	v	St. Mirren
DUNFERMLINE	v	Falkirk
HEARTS	v	Queen's P.R.
MOTHERWELL	v	Airdrie
Partick	v	Hibernian
QUEEN'S PARK	v	Kilmarnock
St. Johnstone	v	Rangers

OUR "FORM" GUIDE

How Your Team Has Been Faring In League

The following table reveals how each team in the four divisions of the English league have fared to date, the results including their last five more matches up to yesterday. The first figure in each case, of course, is that of the team concerned.

FIRST DIVISION

Birmingham	3-0	1-3	1-1	1-1	1-2
Derby C.	3-1	2-2	3-1	1-2	1-1
Leeds	4-1	3-1	4-4	3-1	1-7
Aston Villa	0-0	3-2	2-2	4-1	1-4
Chelsea	0-3	3-0	1-1	1-0	7-1
Middlesbrough	0-0	0-3	1-3	1-1	0-2
Leicester	0-0	0-2	2-1	0-0	2-1
Liverpool	3-1	1-2	2-3	0-0	3-5
Portsmouth	2-1	1-2	1-1	1-1	0-2
Preston	0-0	2-0	1-1	0-0	2-0
Wednesday	3-0	1-0	2-1	1-1	1-1
Sunderland	0-0	1-1	3-0	0-0	4-1
Tottenham	2-0	1-1	0-6	1-1	0-0
West Bromwich	1-1	5-2	1-4	0-0	0-1
Wolves	2-5	2-3	2-5	1-1	5-3
Blackburn	1-3	3-3	0-3	0-0	2-1
Arsenal	1-1	2-0	6-0	0-0	2-0
Grimsby	2-3	1-3	3-2	1-3	1-2
Everton	1-2	0-2	1-4	0-1	1-4
Stoke	3-2	3-0	3-0	1-1	2-0
Manchester C.	2-2	0-3	2-1	1-1	0-2
	6-2	1-1	2-1	4-1	0-0

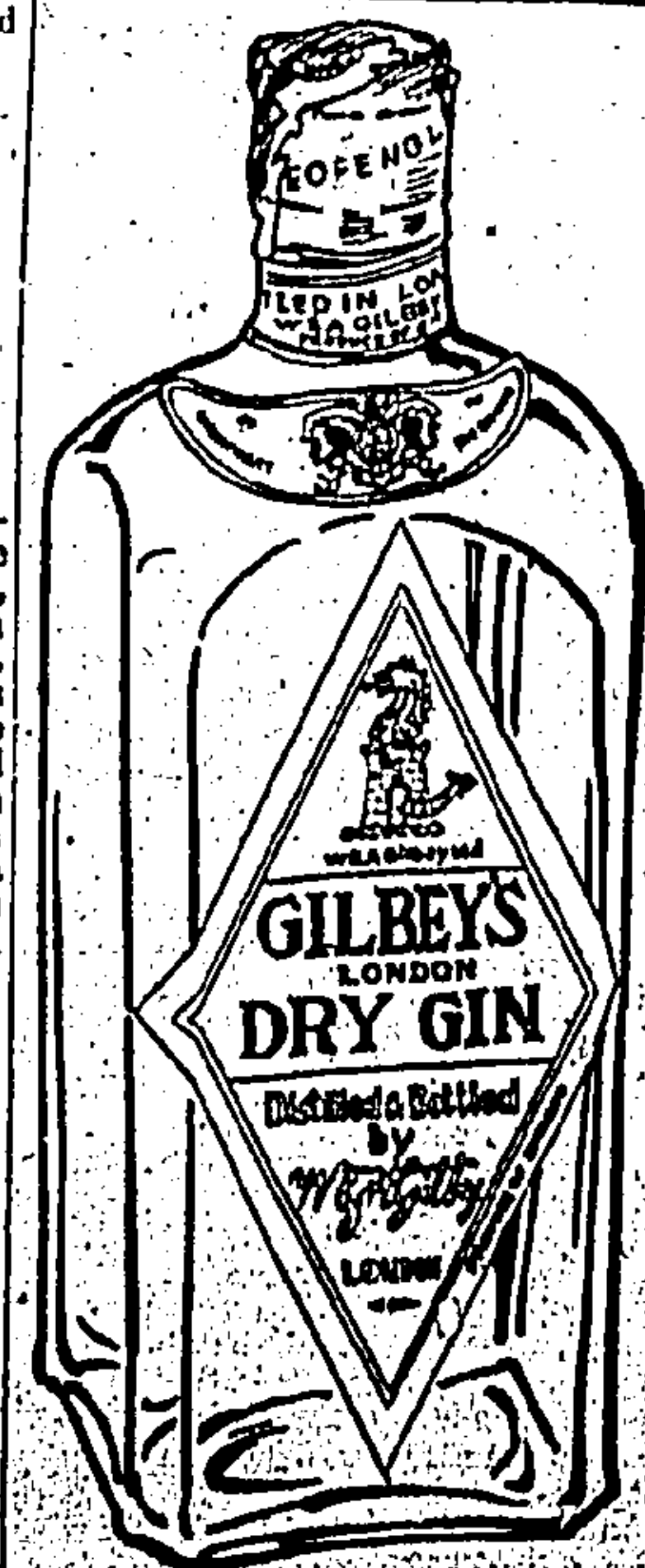
SECOND DIVISION

Bradford	4-2	1-2	1-3	2-1	1-1
Brentford	2-1	2-0	0-0	1-0	3-2
Burnley	0-2	0-0	2-2	3-0	0-0
Bury	2-4	1-3	2-7	0-0	0-1
Fulham	2-1	2-1	0-0	7-0	1-1
Manchester U.	0-1	1-3	0-1	0-4	3-2
Notts C.	1-0	0-0	2-1	0-1	5-0
Oldham	0-2	3-1	1-2	1-1	0-5
Port Vale	2-0	0-2	1-1	2-1	2-2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	1-3	1-1	0-0	1-0	4-1
Brighton	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	2-3
Bristol C.	4-1	0-0	0-2	0-0	1-3
Cardiff	1-3	1-3	2-1	0-1	1-1
Clapton O.	2-1	0-1	1-0	0-0	1-1
Coventry	3-1	1-1	3-3	1-0	0-1
Exeter	2-0	6-2	0-4	3-1	0-1
Gillingham	0-2	1-0	0-2	2-0	1-4
Luton	1-0	1-1	4-0	2-0	4-0
Swindon	0-1	0-2	1-3	1-1	1-1
Crystal P.	1-2	1-1	1-0	0-2	3-1
Bristol R.	0-2	1-0	2-0	0-1	5-3
Watford	1-1	2-1	1-2	0-1	2-0
Reading	2-1	3-1	3-3	2-1	1-0
Charlton	2-0	2-2	1-1	0-0	1-1
Northampton	1-1	2-2	1-3	3-0	3-2
Newport	0-2	2-2	1-3	4-0	3-5
Torquay	0-1	1-1	0-3	1-1	1-0
Southend	0-2	2-0	6-0	0-1	0-2
Queen's P.R.	2-0	1-3	2-0	0-0	1-0

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ANALYSIS OF DAVIS CUP DRAW

BIG RESPONSIBILITY FOR TWO JAPANESE PLAYERS

(Continued from Page 8).

Stoefen are lost to the amateur ranks, and Shields is pre-occupied in the film industry. In their places we are therefore likely to see newcomers whose reputation has already reached us.

It is stated that six players are to be sent to England this year in quest of the elusive Cup, and the reason may well be that experience has taught the American authorities that New York form is no guide to selecting a team for English courts. Presumably W. L. Allison will return as America's number one, with S. B. Wood, Donald Budge, Gene Mako and possibly J. van Ryn, and Frank Parker. There is no denying that the combination Lett and Stoefen will be greatly missed by America. However good their successors may be it is unlikely that America can nominate another pair capable of winning the doubles at Wimbledon and Forest Hills and the doubles match in the Davis Cup challenge round in the same year.

ALLISON AND VAN RYN

Allison and Van Ryn are probably the next best doubles pair and if sent to England would be selected to play in preference to the inexperienced Budge and Mako, however good their American record may be. America can no longer claim a lien on the doubles match in any tie, however, and for that reason the selection of their singles players must be the more carefully considered. Their team, accomplished the unexpected when they made their gallant recovery against Australia from two down to win 3-2 at Wimbledon last year. The indications are that America will again meet Australia in July in the inter-zone final, when another spectacular tie will be anticipated. Some of the finest lawn tennis ever seen at Wimbledon was witnessed when Crawford met S. B. Wood last year. The Australian will be thirsting for revenge if the opportunity is presented for a return match.

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Bournemouth . . . 3-1 1-2 1-1 1-1 0-4
Millwall . . . 0-2 0-0 1-0 1-1 0-1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).

Accrington . . . 4-2 1-5 2-5 0-1 1-0
Crewe . . . 4-1 2-7 1-1 1-1 1-1
Darlington . . . 1-4 0-0 4-1 1-4 3-1
Gateshead . . . 2-4 1-0 3-2 1-6 0-2
Hull . . . 1-3 0-3 1-2 1-0 1-0
Lincoln . . . 5-1 1-3 1-4 1-0 2-0
Rotherham . . . 2-0 3-0 1-3 6-1 2-3
Stockport . . . 0-0 5-1 4-1 2-1 2-1
Tranmere . . . 3-0 0-3 0-0 4-1 0-1
Walsall . . . 3-0 0-1 0-4 2-2 1-2
Wrexham . . . 2-2 6-0 0-2 2-0 1-3
New Brighton . . . 1-7 1-4 5-1 2-6 2-2
Doncaster . . . 7-1 3-1 4-0 2-3 2-1
York . . . 1-3 7-3 0-0 0-2 0-1
Chester . . . 1-1 1-3 5-0 1-6 2-1
Mansfield . . . 3-2 1-0 1-1 2-1 1-2
Rochdale . . . 0-2 0-1 5-2 6-1 1-3
Chesterfield . . . 2-0 3-1 1-1 3-2 1-1
Southport . . . 1-1 3-4 0-3 2-2 1-1
Carlisle . . . 1-2 1-5 2-3 1-2 1-1
Hartlepool . . . 4-1 1-1 3-1 1-2 5-2
Barrow . . . 3-2 2-1 1-4 1-1 2-0

SPORT ADVTs.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 23rd March, 1935, commencing at 2.00 p.m.
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1935.

Local Hockey

CIVILIAN TRIAL TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW

The next hockey trial for the purpose of selecting the local Civilian team to meet the Shanghai German Hockey Club who are arriving from the North early in April, will be held on the Club ground, King's Park, to-morrow at 5.10 p.m.

The following players have been invited to attend:

Whites:—H. B. M. X. de Souza, E. H. P. White, Dr. A. M. Rodriguez, A. S. Bliss, W. A. Reed, G. Parker, G. E. R. Divett, T. S. D. Whitley, Gurbachan Singh, Kalwant Singh and R. A. Carroll.

Colours:—F. Fowler, E. F. Sell, Parduman Singh, E. L. Gosano, J. Gonsalves, E. V. Reed, S. Fowler, G. Fowler, Awtar Singh, J. Pinto (K.L.T.C.), A. P. Sousa, A. E. Remedios, Jagveet Singh and W. J. Brown.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

Inter-School Meeting At Caroline Hill

The annual athletic sports meeting for local schools will take place this afternoon and on Friday, commencing at 2.30 p.m. each day. Tests for the Inter-School meet will be decided this afternoon, while on Friday the finals will be run. The meet is being held at Caroline Hill on the South China Athletic Association's track.

Wantsal School Meet.

The Wantsal Government School is holding its thirteenth annual sports meeting to-morrow afternoon at Caroline Hill. Mr. F. J. de Rome has kindly consented to give away the trophies at 4 o'clock.

FANLING HUNT

Gymkhana On Sunday At Kwanti

By kind permission of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club, the Fanling Hunt will hold a Gymkhana at Kwanti Race Course on Sunday, March 24, at 2.30 p.m. All entries for the various events will be post entries.

THEY SPLASHED TO NEW WORLD SWIM RECORD



Seattle, Wash., swimmers coached by Ray Daughters of the Washington Athletic Club did have a habit of breaking world records, and here's the newest group to establish a new world swimming mark. Mary Lou Petty, Doris Buckley, Betty Lea and Olive McKean, left to right, churned the water to a new mark of 4 minutes 13.5 seconds in the 400-yard relay event. Five and four-fifths seconds were clipped from the old record.

HONG CRICKET

Hongkong Bank Play Logan & Amps

A keen and interesting cricket match was played on the Central British School Ground at King's Park on Sunday, Messrs. Logan and Amps meeting in the Hongkong Bank eleven much stronger opponents than they have previously encountered.

The Bank, batting first, lost four valuable wickets for under 40 runs, but steady batting by W. H. Rigg (40) and G. C. Moutrie (44) followed by I. H. Bradford's hard hitting, enabled them to declare at tea time with 220 for nine—a formidable score for the construction staff to attempt in the remaining 110 minutes of play. Bradford had 44 before being bowled.

Scoring started slowly, two wickets falling early. R. Griffiths made a stand, although he only scored 16 and then G. T. Anderson (23) and F. Smith (55) took the score to 150 for three. With only 20 minutes to play there began an exciting scramble for runs. Runs came and wickets went but time was too short and with the score at 204 for eight the game ended in a draw.

Mrs. Crappell, wife of Mr. F. H. Crappell, Secretary of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., returned from England yesterday.

GOLD FROM SIGNBOARDS

SMALL QUANTITY FOUND

Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning on Mak Wing, 21, unemployed, who appeared on remand and pleaded guilty to three counts of stealing gold leaf sign boards from the Wo Ping shop, 45 Wing On Street; Tung On shop, 12 Wing On Street; and the Kwong Sing Tai shop, 15 Wing On Street. Defendant was arrested by a Chinese constable.

It was stated by Detective-Sergeant Baldwin that, when arrested, the defendant had in his possession a piece of waste which was sent to the Government Analyst for examination. The report showed that .003 of a gram of gold was found on the waste. The total damage done to the signboards amounted to \$37.

Mr. P. M. N. Da Silva has been appointed Acting Consul for Portugal in Hongkong, on the departure of the Marquis de Picalho.

THEFT CASES

FOUR MEN ADMIT GUILT

Four cases dealing with thefts came before Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Magistracy this morning, the four defendants all pleading guilty.

Tsang Fat, 26, a learner driver, was given one month for stealing an overcoat and a Chinese quilt from No. 37 Upper Leascar Row. It was stated by Detective-Sergeant Goodwin that the defendant had been playing mah jong all night and lost \$10. His coat was detained. He then walked off with the complainant's property.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed on Wan Chuen, 23, unemployed, for stealing a silver wrist watch from Wong Hol, a goldsmith. Defendant had a previous conviction for burglary in 1931.

Det-Sergt. Guild stated that complainant reported the theft at the Central Police Station. A detective went out with him and found the defendant with the watch in his hand.

The detective, Tse Yuk, was complimented by the Magistrate on his good work.

Pleading guilty to stealing a wallet containing \$1.15 from a man near the Chinese recreation ground, Wong Tak, 21, unemployed, was sent to prison for three months. It was stated that complainant was watching a medicine hawk at the time.

Six weeks' hard labour was imposed on Lau Fuk, 22, alias Lau Luk-mul, unemployed, for stealing two suits of clothing from a stall in Bridges Street.

Detective-Sergeant Baldwin stated the complainant gave permission to the defendant to sleep at the stall. The following morning the defendant was missing. When arrested, he was found to be wearing one of the stolen suits, while the other he pawned at Yau-mat for 50 cents.

GRAND NATIONAL

Another Two Horses Scratched

London, Mar. 19.
According to the trainer of Noisau, the horse will not run in the Grand National.
Glen Hazel was officially scratched at 11.5 a.m. to-day.—Reuter.

MUI-TSAI CASES

NOMINAL FINES IMPOSED

Two Chinese married women and a widow were summoned before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and nominal fines were imposed on them, when they all pleaded guilty to the charges against them regarding their mui-tsai.

A fine of \$2 was imposed on Lau Yat-ku, of No. 25 Yam Chow Street, second floor, for failing to report the intended removal of mui-tsai, Lo Sal-ngan, aged 17, from the Colony.

Wong Kam-fung, a widow, of No. 11 Boundary Street, ground floor, was fined \$2 for failing to report a change of address of her mui-tsai, Chim Kwai-fa, aged 11.

Charges of (a) failing to report the intended removal of her mui-tsai, Mak Wang, aged 15, from the Colony, and (b) failing to report the change of address, were preferred against Lo Hau, aged 42, of No. 1098 Canton Road. On pleading guilty, the defendant was fined \$5 on both summonses.

Sub-Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted in all cases.

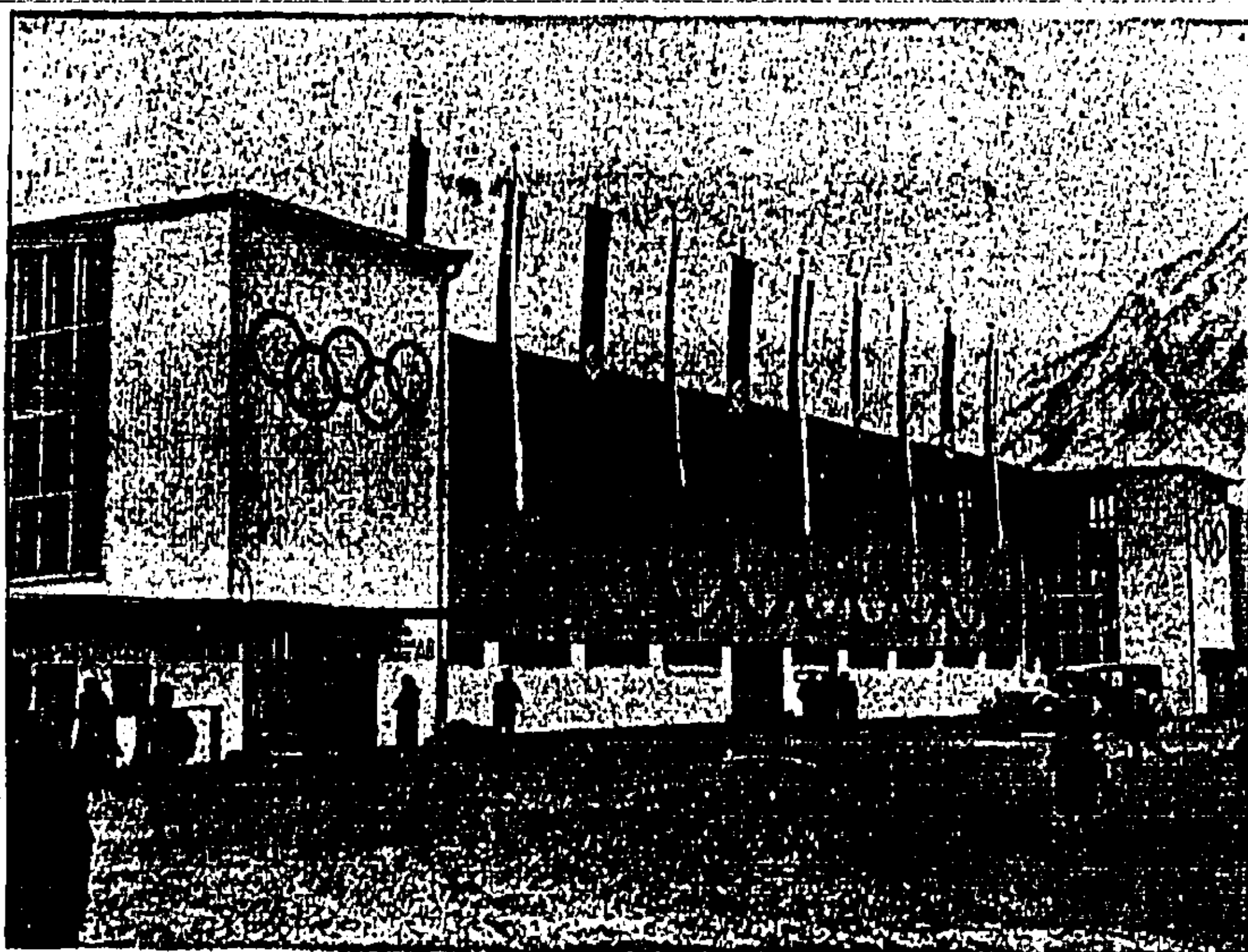
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LATEST SINGAPORE QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have received the following Straits currency quotations (Buyers) from Singapore to-day for raw rubber:—
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Apr./June 19 1/4 up 1 ct.
July/Sept 20 1/4 up 1 ct.
Oct./Dec. 21 1/4 up 1 ct.
Market—Steady.

CADOGAN SEES KUNG

Nanking, Mar. 19.
Sir Alexander Cadogan, British Minister to China, held a brief interview with Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister, this afternoon. It is officially stated that it was only a courtesy visit paid to the Finance Minister and that no specific problem was discussed.—Central News.



View of the entrance to the skating rink and ice hockey ground at the Olympic Stadium at Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

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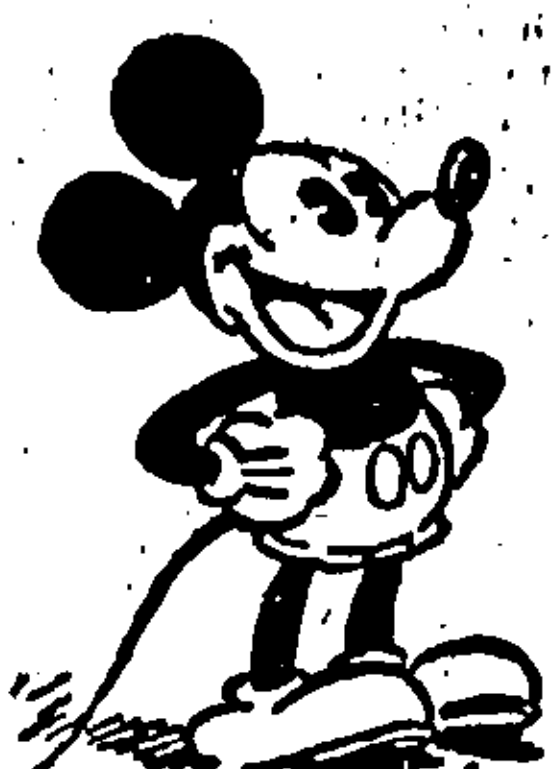
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SHARE PRICES

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Banks.	
H.K. Banks, \$1325 ea.	
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$180.	
Chartered Bank, \$15 1/4 n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B.	
23 1/4 n.	
Mercantile Bank C., \$13 1/4 n.	
East of Asia Bank, \$85 1/4 n.	
Am. O. Finance Corp., Sh. \$20 n.	
China O. Fin. Ord. Sh. \$1.80 n.	
China O. Fin. Pref. Sh. \$4 1/4 n.	
Insurances.	
Canton Ins., \$200 n.	
Union Ins., \$417 1/2 n.	
China Underwriters, \$1.50 n.	
China Fire, \$400 n.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$220 n.	
Internat'l Assoc., Sh. \$5.00 n.	
Shipping.	
Douglas, \$30 1/2 n.	
H.K. Steamboats, \$7 1/4 n.	
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.), \$30 n.	
Indo-Chinas, (Def.), \$33 n.	
Shell (Bearer), 47/6 n.	
Union Waterboats, \$12 1/2 n.	
Mining.	
Antamoks, 85 cts. b and sa.	
Balatoes, \$43 n.	
Bugulo Gold, 39 cts. n.	
Benguet Consolidated, \$14 n.	
Benguet Exp., 15 cts. n.	
Benguet Goldfield, 10 cts. n.	
Big Wedge, 10 cts. n.	
Gold Creek, 38 1/2 cts. n.	
Gold River, 17 cts. n.	
Ipo Mining, \$1 1/4 n.	
Itogons, 42 cts. n.	
Salacot, 16 cts. n.	
Kallan, 16/6 n.	
Langkats (Single), \$15 n.	
S'hai Explorations, Sh. \$5 n.	
S'hai Loans, Sh. \$6 n.	
Raub, \$5.15 n.	
Venz, Goldfield, \$5 n.	
Docks etc.	
H.K. Wharves Cum. rts. \$101 1/4	
H.K. Docks, \$9 1/4 n.	
Providents (old), \$1.20 n.	
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.	
Hongkwa (old), Sh. \$309 n.	
New Engineering, Sh. \$5 n.	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$120 n.	
H.K. Wharves Rights, \$15 ea.	
H.K. Wharves, \$98 n. ex rts.	
Cotton Mills.	
Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$8.50 ea.	
S'hai Cottons (old), Sh. \$74 n.	
S'hai Cottons (new), Sh. \$45 n.	
Zoong Sings, \$9.30 n.	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$55 n.	
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$4.05 ea.	
H.K. Lands, \$40 ea.	
H.K. Land 4% debentures, \$102 n.	
S'hai Lands, Sh. \$20 1/4 n.	
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$12.20 n.	
Humphreys, \$9 1/2 n.	
H.K. Realities, \$5.10 n.	
Asia Realities "A", Sh. \$100 n.	
Asia Realities "B", Sh. \$15 n.	
Chinese Estates, \$93 n.	
China Debenture, \$123 n.	
Public Utilities.	
H.K. Tramways, \$18 ea.	
Peak Trams, (old), \$8 1/2 n.	
Peak Trams, (new), \$6 n.	
Star Ferries, \$89 n.	
Yauwatt Ferries, (old), \$22 n.	
China Lights, \$9.65 ea.	
H.K. Electric, \$65 1/4 b.	
Macao Electric, \$25 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$8 ea.	
Telephone (old), \$24 n.	
Telephone (new), \$10 b.	
Chin Buses, Sh. \$12.40 n.	
Singapore Tractions, 10/8 n.	
Singapore Pref. 20/6 n.	
Industrials.	
Malabon Sugars, \$8.50 n.	
Cald. Macg. (old), Sh. \$16 n.	
Cald. Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$16 n.	
Canton Ice, \$23 n.	
Cement (Converted) 7/60 n.	
H.K. Ropes, \$3.65 n.	
Dairy Farms, \$19 1/4 n.	
Watson, \$3 1/4 n.	
Lane Crawfords, \$3.75 n.	
Mackintoshes, \$21 n.	
Sinceres, \$8 n.	
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.	
Wing On (H.K.) \$105 n.	
Miscellaneous.	
Ausements, \$1.85 n.	
H.K. Entertainments, \$7 n.	
S. C. Enterprise, \$1.35 n.	
Macao "Greyhounds", \$2 n.	
Constructions (old), \$1.70 n.	
Construction (new), 60 cts. n.	
Vibor Piling, \$5 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. \$ Bonds	
93 1/2 % n.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6 1/2 % prem.	
b.	
H.K. Govt. 8 1/2 % Loan 2 % prem. b.	
Wallace Harpers, \$7 n.	

EXCHANGE RATES

Paris	72 1/2	72 1/2/32
Geneva	14.80	14.80
Beilin	11.38	11.38
Athens	500	490
Milan	57 1/2	57 1/2/10
Shanghai	1/7 1/2	1/7 1/2
New York	4.78	4.78 1/2
Amsterdam	7.02	7.00
Vienna	25 1/2	25 1/2
Prague	113 1/2	114 1/2/10
Bucharest	475	470
Madrid	34 1/2	35 1/2/10
Lisbon	110	110
Hongkong	2/6 1/2/16	2/6 1/2/16
Brussels	20 1/2	20 1/2/10
Bombay	1/6 1/4	1/6 1/4
Yokohama	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4/10
Montevideo	41 1/2	41 1/2
Belgrade	210	200
Montreal	4.81 1/2	4.82 1/2
Silver (Spot)	27 1/2	27 1/2/10
Silver (forward)	27 1/2/10	100 1/2
War Loan	100 1/2	100 1/2

British Wireless.

LONDON STOCK
EXCHANGELATEST SHARE
QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the
London Stock Exchange have been
received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson
and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters.
Mar. 18. Mar. 19.

British Government Securities

War Loan 8 1/2 %	100 1/2	100 1/2
redm. after 1932	100 1/2	100 1/2

Chinese Bonds

4 1/2 % Bonds 1898	100 1/2	100 1/2
(Eng. Ins.)	100 1/2	100 1/2
4 1/2 % Loan 1908	89 1/4	89 1/4
5 % Loan 1912	88 1/2	89 1/4
5 % Reorg. Loan	88 1/2	88 1/2
1013 (Ldn. Iss.)	88 1/2	88 1/2
5 % Bonds 1925-27	87 1/4	87 1/4
5 % S'hai-Nanking	82	82
Rly.	82	82
5 % Tient-Pukow	84 1/2	84 1/2
Rly.	84 1/2	84 1/2
5 % Tient-Pukow	20	20
Railway (Supl.)	20	20
5 % S'hai-H'ehow	101	101
Ningpo Rly.	101	101
5 % Honan Rly.	31 1/4	31 1/4
5 % Hukwang Rly.	46	46
5 % Lung T'ung U.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Hai Rly. 1913	18 1/2	18 1/2

Foreign Bonds and Banks

Gorman 7 % Int.	70 1/2	70 1/2
Loan 1924	77	77
Japan 5 % Sterling	90	90
Loan 1907	90	90
Japan 5 % Sterling	90	90
Loan 1924	90	90
H.K. & S'hai Bank	130	130
(Ldn. Regd.)	130	130
Chartered Bank 5 %	15 1/4	15 1/4

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Iron Found-	37/-	37/-
ries		
Associated Elec.	26/-	26/-
Industries		
Austin Motors ord.	44/6	45/3
sh.	48/-	48/-
Boots 5/- sh.	44/6	45/3
British-American		
Tobacco	115/-	115/-
Canadian Celanese	78/0	78/0
Chinese Eng. and		
Min. (Bearer)	16/-	16/0
Courtaulds	40/1 1/2	40/6
Dunlop Rubber	90/0	90/0
Electric Musical	47/0	47/10 1/2
Industries	20/3	20/3
General Electric		
(England)	48/-	48/-
Impl. Chem. Ind.	36/6	36/3
Impl. Chem. Ind.		
Def. 10/- sh.	9/0	9/4 1/2
Impl. Tobacco	133 1/4	133 1/4
Internat. Nickel		
no par val	23 1/2	24 1/4
Rolla Royce	103/3	103/9
S'hai Elec. Constr.	47/-	46/-
Tate & Lyle	98/9	99/6
Turner & Newall	53/9	53/0
United Steel	26 1/4	26/9
Watney Combs &		
Hold def. ord.	65/6	65/-
Woolworths 5/-	101/3	101/0

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch	20/7½	20/7½
Chartd. 15/- sh. (Bearer)	20/9	20/10½
Gala Kalumpung Rubber	20/-	19/0
Pekin Synd. 2/- ord. sh.	1/9	1/9
Rubber Trusts	23/6	29/1½
Southern Railway (Deferred)	£ 22	£ 23
Mines		
Burma Corp. Rs. 10	28/4½	28/3
Chosen Corp.	20/3	26/3
Crown Mines	270/-	271/3
R and f ontein Estates	67/-	65/0
Spring Mines	193/0	192/0
Sub-Niger	276/3	278/9
Van Ryn Deep	59/4½	59/4½
Oils		
Anglo-Persian	48/3	48/10½
Burma Oil	72/0	72/0
Shell Trans Trad. (Bearer)	47/0	47/0

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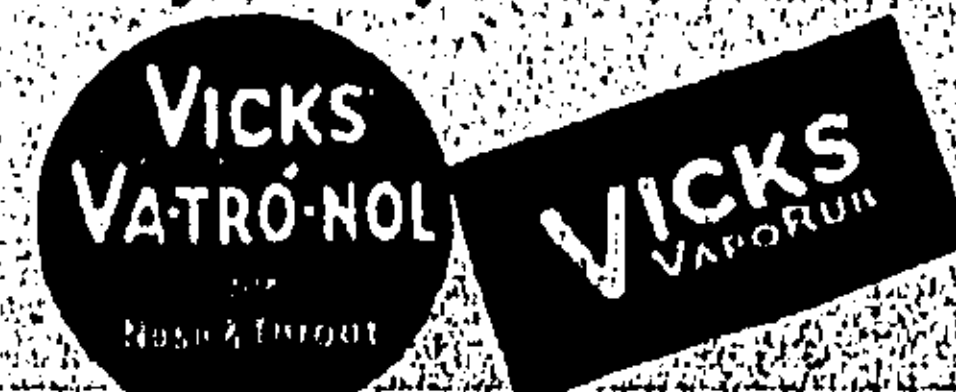
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FAREWELL DINNER

CHINESE Y.M.C.A. FETE MR. J. L. MCPHERSON

Speaking at a farewell dinner in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.B.E., given at the Kam Loong Restaurant last night, Mr. David Au Wal-kwok, President of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association, said that much of the progress of the Association, both spiritual and material, they owed to the untiring efforts of Mr. McPherson.

Mr. McPherson completed 30 years of service with the Association on March 14 and is leaving for England on retirement on Friday. He is General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and has been associated with the Chinese Y. M. C. A. in the capacity of Advisory Secretary. There was a large gathering of members and their friends at last night's function.

Among those present were the Revs. Yung Ting-sang, Ho Sun-yu, Li Kau-yan, Wong Oi-long, Cheung Chuk-ling, Messrs. Wong Kam-ying, Sun Che-hing, Szeto Chung, Yung Shiu-chuen, A. Allen, Chiu Kam-tao, Cheng Jon-sing, Ma Ying-biu, Ngan Shing-kwan, Wong Sum-kan, Lam Chik-sing, Ma Wing-charn, Ng Tung-kai, Wong Mau-lam, Kwong Hong-chu, Chak Tai-kwong, Wong Cheong-lam, W. C. Young, Ho Tak-on, Wm. C. H. Chan, Ko Sik-wai, Wong Wal, Fung Yiu-kan, Ho Yan-tak, Cheng Chung-leung, Kwok Pul-cheung, Fung Yu-wing, Li Yuk-tong, Chan Tat-sam, Lau Ding-sam, Lam Chi-fung, Phoon Seck-wah, Mann K. Wong, P. C. Kwok, Ngan Kwan-yu, Lee Ka-fun, Lo Chuk-fan, Cheung Lo-kau.

At the official table there were seated nine of the Association's oldest members, including Mr. McPherson, their ages totalling 627 years.

Mr. E. H. Munson, South China Divisional Secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., paid a warm tribute to the work done by Mr. McPherson during his long stay in China. The speaker compared Mr. McPherson with St. Augustine and added that his work has left a great and lasting impression. He wished him a happy reunion with his family and expressed the hope that "Mac" would return to Hongkong to continue his splendid work.

President's Speech

Proposing the toast of the guest of honour, Mr. Au Wal-kwok, addressing the gathering said, "We are gathered here this evening to do honour to one who is leaving Hongkong after having been associated with us and identified with the work of the Y. M. C. A. for the past thirty years. It is particularly difficult for me to propose this toast for parting is a sad thing, and it is at times like this that one wishes one has the gift of silver-tongued orators to express one's innermost thoughts. Then again, our guest of honour has done so much to carry forward the work of the Y. M. C. A. in Hongkong that it is impossible to eulogise him in adequate words."

Thirty years is quite a long record for any one to be associated with one institution. In his period of long service with the Y. M. C. A., Mr. McPherson has seen many changes. He has seen the Chinese Y. M. C. A. grown from a little apartment on the site of what is now known as King's Theatre to its present spacious quarters in Bridges Street. He has seen the expansion of the Y. M. C. A. work to Kowloon where our work is now housed in a modern building in Waterloo Road. He has seen the membership increased from hundreds to thousands; he has seen even a second generation of Directors and a third generation of members. Above all, he has seen the Y. M. C. A. work being appreciated by the community.

One may ask at this stage, what is Mr. McPherson's reward for all his labours? It is true that in recognition of his noble services, he was decorated recently by H. M. the King with the order of M. B. E., an honour which we all share, but I think Mr. McPherson's true reward lies in another direction. His reward is the host of friends he will leave behind and the light which will forever shine from the Y.M.C.A. the living monument of his creation.

Mr. McPherson is leaving us for his well-earned rest. But I prefer to say au revoir than goodbye for I have a hunch that he will come back to us again. May his return witness another step forward in the work of the Y. M. C. A. in this Colony.

Mr. McPherson, your many friends in the Association are reluctant to even bid you farewell but they all realise that you are entitled to your respite. They want you to accept this souvenir as a token of their love, respect and esteem. (Applause).

Mr. Au, amid applause, then handed Mr. McPherson a silver coffee set, the gift of the Association; carved ivory, the gift of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. day school teachers and pupils; and a silver frame with

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Mr. Au also announced that the Board of Directors had elected Mr. McPherson to be a permanent Honorary General Secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Mr. McPherson's Reply

Replying, Mr. McPherson said, "Mr. Au and Friends, I wish to thank you very sincerely for giving me this farewell party to-night, for the beautiful presentation you have arranged for me, and for the very kind words you have said with reference to my work on behalf of this association."

It is true that my connection with the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hongkong has been very long—for my first two years in the Colony as a voluntary teacher of English in the day school, and since 1907 as a member of the secretarial staff. It is also a fact that during those thirty years the Association has made great progress, not only in the multiplying of its facilities by the erection of buildings in different parts of the Colony, nor in a considerable increase in the number of its members, but, more important still, in the scope and variety of its work for the young men and boys of Hongkong.

This Association has ever been a pioneer in the launching of schemes for community betterment, some of which schemes have been adopted and furthered by other institutions. But it is too generous of you to attribute this development solely or even principally to my efforts. As I look back over the years I can see a whole procession of able and devoted men both in the lay membership and on the secretarial staff who have united their efforts for the common good. It is because of this united endeavour on the part of so many that the growth has been steady and uninterrupted.

On the Board of Directors, this Association has had so many men of ability and devotion that it would be impossible to speak of one without having to name scores of others. Some of them have been taken from us, but others are still here, continuing their interest and support. I should like to mention this, however, that your revered father, Mr. Au, was one of the best friends this Association has ever known, and it is pleasing indeed that his son is following in his footsteps.

It has been a real joy and privilege to have had a small part in this work, and I shall never forget that together we have shared in its difficulties and in its triumphs.

I feel confident that this Association, under its present able leadership, is now entering upon a new era of prosperity and I confidently anticipate hearing of its continued growth.

Further Eulogy

Mr. Lam Chi-fung, a former President of the Association, also spoke. He said, "Members and Friends of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association: I have the honour to address you this evening on the occasion of this farewell dinner given in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.B.E., on retirement after 30 years' service in the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association."

Much of the good work of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association is due to Mr. McPherson's inspiration and untiring effort. When he first came to Hongkong, the Association was a small institution. It did not own its premises, but instead carried on activities in rented quarters. Now, the Association owns three large buildings with modern equipment to carry on all the activities conducive to moral, mental, and physical welfare of young men. From a few members it has grown to 2,500 in membership. Much of the progress, both spiritual and material of the Association, however, is owed to his continuous up-building and constructive service. It is now the leading institution in Hongkong.

Mr. McPherson completed his 30 years' service on March 14 and he is leaving for England on Friday. We will miss him very much, but he will be long remembered as one of the outstanding Hongkong personalities. Let us all wish Mr. McPherson bon voyage. (Applause).

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GALE HENDERSON, pretty and 19, works in a silk mill. She and her 19-year-old brother, PHILIP, support their father, STEVE MEYER, who also works in the mill. Gale is going to marry him. She promises to give him an expensive fur coat. Gale goes skating, breaks through the ice and is rescued by BRIAN WESTMORE whose father, now dead, built the mill. Brian has come home after two years in Paris to enter the mill. Gale disappears before he learns her name.

VICKY THATCHER, daughter of ROBERT THATCHER, general manager of the mill, is attracted to Gale. She is a company spy. LEOA BOLLER, another employee, tells Gale the mill workers are planning to organize and demand their rights. She asks Gale to come to a meeting and Gale agrees. Later she hears that Leo is a company spy. Steve brings Gale some roses, apologizes and asks her to forget that they quarrelled. She agrees.

CHAPTER XX

Brian Westmore skated slowly, hands in pockets, the tip of his cigarette glowing in the darkness. As far as the end in the river where the big cottonwood hung out over the ice he went, then turned back. He had made the trip three times within the last half hour.

Brian skated close to the river bank in the shadows. Now and then he looked back, but there was no one in sight. He had the river to himself until he drew near the boat house. There were other skaters there—a number of boys playing hockey, half a dozen young girls, several couples and a dark youth cutting figures on the ice. One of the hockey players went down and there were shrill cries and laughter. Brian circled the edge of the crowd, keeping his eyes on the place where the road came down past the boat house to a sort of wharf. That was where most of the skaters sat to put on their skates. He watched the place and suddenly a girl in a short, dark jacket and scarlet cap appeared.

Brian moved forward—and then swung back. There was another figure behind the girl, the figure of a man. A minute later the two started across the ice and Brian saw that the girl was not so tall as he had thought, nor so slender.

"She isn't coming," he told himself. No, Gale Henderson wasn't coming. He'd been telling himself that for 15 minutes and yet he waited. Brian tossed his cigarette aside, turned and made his way up the river again.

The wind was cold and for a while he skated briskly to warm himself. He reached the turn in the river and once more doubled back. The girl would be the last. If he didn't see her this time—All day long Brian had been looking forward to seeing Gale Henderson, saving things to tell her. He couldn't forget the girl. It wasn't that she was so pretty, though of course she was that, too. But he wanted to talk to her. He felt he could talk to her. Brian, during the past few weeks, had discovered that there were plenty of people to dictate letters to, there were plenty to attend conferences and to present reports and tables of figures, there were plenty to attend his mother's dinner parties but there was almost no one to talk to.

The men at the mill, heads of departments and their assistants, were all older than he was. When Brian wanted to make a suggestion he was aware of this, aware, too, that they were experienced and he was

not. So he listened and, once or twice, when he spoke about something, the others were attentive and respectful but before long the discussion was going on just as it had and somehow Brian's suggestions were overlooked.

He'd tried getting acquainted with some of the younger men, the assistants, but that hadn't turned out very well either. Gale Henderson was the only one about the mill who had really treated him like a human being. He wanted to tell her about that pension plan he'd worked out and see if she thought the employees would like it. He felt he knew Gale Henderson well, that they were old friends, though he'd only talked to her once. Perhaps that was because they'd been at school together.

He passed the place where they'd had their campfire the night before. The shore was dark and lonely now. And there was no slender figure wearing a short skirt and leather shoes skating toward him. There was no one at all in sight.

Brian told himself again, "She isn't coming." This time when he reached the boat house he took off his skates and walked down the road to the place where he had left his coupe. He got inside and turned the car about and started for home. Half way there he changed his mind and made a turn left. His mother was having some friends in, he remembered, and he didn't want to see them. He could drive to the club and see if anything was happening there or he could look up Ted Balmbridge.

Brian decided to do none of these things. A better prospect presented itself. He'd drop in at Thatcher's. If Vicky were home he'd be assured of a good sort—just the one to get him out of this moodiness.

A maid in uniform answered his ring and said yes, that Vicky was in.

Brian said, "Where is she—in the living room? I'll go in."

He turned into the large room at the left. Vicky was there, slim and picturesque in emerald velvet, with one arm stretched against the back of the davenport. Her dark hair was sleek and shining, her lips a sulky blaze of crimson.

A young man sat facing her. He was tall, young man with tawny, reddish hair and his features were pleasant enough but it was clear that the young man was not pleased about something.

He said, "But look, Vicky—" and then stopped, seeing Brian.

"Brian!" she exclaimed, hurrying toward him. "How sweet of you! I'd begun to think you'd buried yourself in that mill. Come and tell us how the wheels of industry are turning."

Greg Harmon had risen, too, but he was only smiling. "Hello, Brian," he said rather carelessly.

"Hope you don't mind if I run along?" "Oh, but see here—" Brian began. "Greg was just leaving," Vicky assured him. "He doesn't find me sufficiently entertaining to-night. Really, that heaven must have sent you, Brian, to keep me from spending a poky evening alone."

She turned toward the other man. "Good night, Greg," she went on. "Give me a ring, won't you, to-morrow about 4? Don't call me earlier because I'm going shopping with Claire."

"You're sure I'm not interrupting?" Brian asked.

Greg Harmon said, "No—got to be on my way. Got some things to see about. All right, Vicky, I'll call you."

Life was gone. Vicky sank back on the davenport, leaning her head against her open palm. The loose sleeve fell back, revealing a slim white arm. "Thank goodness that's over," she said dryly. "Give me a cigarette, Brian. I feel the need of one."

"You, Vicky? What on earth have you been doing?" The girl's eyes regarded him pensively. "It's Greg," she said. "I don't know what I'm going to do about him."

"Well—" She shook her head. "Greg's getting to be a problem, Brian. Honestly, I don't know what to do. Just because I've gone around with him a little—playing golf and riding horses back and now and then going to parties—he seems to think I haven't any right to go with anyone else. It's ridiculous! And whenever I say anything he gets the way he was to-night—sullen and simply unbearable."

Brian shook his head, smiling. "The peril of being an irresistible charmer, my dear!"

Vicky pouted. "You can laugh," she said, "but it isn't very funny to me." Suddenly she stopped and the dark eyes grew rounder. "Oh," she said, "I've just thought of something."

"Animal, mineral or vegetable?" "She made a deprecating little movement with one hand. 'I'm serious. Really I am.' She went on, her voice touched with excitement. 'But I don't see why it wouldn't work! Brian, will you do something for me?'"

"Maybe I'd better hear about it first."

"It's nothing that would be so terribly hard—at least I don't think it would be. Just to take me to a few parties and be seen with me."

"Oh, it's the very thing! Would you, Brian? Would you do that?"

"See here, I don't know what you're getting at."

"It's about Greg," she explained. "Don't you see that if you begin taking me places—and sort of seem fond of me—it will be the best way in the world to teach Greg that he can't order me around and bully me the way he's been trying to? It's exactly what he needs. You wouldn't have to keep it up long—only until Greg's used to his senses."

"Oh," he said. "I never saw you me to step in and play the heavy lover until Greg gets the idea he's not wanted."

Vicky nodded. There was a gleam of almost feline satisfaction in the dark eyes. "Of course," she said, "I'm only pretending."

"Of course. Well, if all you want me to do is to be your 'attentive escort' I don't know how I can refuse."

"You'll do it? You will?" She put both hands on his arm and drew him nearer. "Oh, Brian," she said, "you are sweet!"

She looked very pretty as she raised her face to his, eyes glowing and the red lips slightly parted. Another girl had disappointed him that evening. Brian Westmore said slowly, "Of course, I'll help you, Vicky. Of course I will."

(To Be Continued.)

CINEMA NEWS

NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Not since "Dinner at Eight" has a motion picture created as much advance discussion as Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's newest offering, "Forsaking All Others," which is due at the Queen's Theatre on Saturday with a cast headed by three of Hollywood's most popular stars—Joan Crawford, Clark Gable and Robert Montgomery. The picture is the first appearance of this beautiful M-G-M star in an outdoor one another with the many hilarious situations of the story. This brilliant trio makes "Forsaking All Others" one of the smash hits of the year.

"The Affair in Cellini" Those venturesome times in 16th Century Italy, when the De Medici were making murder a polite pastime and intrigues were so diabolically rampant that a lover never touched his beloved's lips without the lurking fear that they might be impregnated with poison, offer the screen a rich and colourful background, of which

it has been amazingly slow to take advantage. Now, however, comes "The Affair in Cellini," 20th Century's film starring Constance Bennett and Freddie March, which depicts the escapades of the great goldsmith and greater lover who brought fame to Florence when Michael Angelo and Leonardo da Vinci were doing their Italian art. Freddie March portrays Cellini, while Constance Bennett is cast as the Duchess of Florence, a French noblewoman who has the role of her henpecked consort, the Duke Alessandro, which he played in Edwin Justus Mayer's New York stage success, "Merely a Woman." The picture is a comedy and melodrama, directed by Joseph M. Schenck-Darryl F. Zanuck production. The many spectacular settings of the film, which United Artists will bring to the King's Theatre shortly, introduce the luxury and artistic splendour of 16th Century Italy, with its pomp and ceremony, its costly and elaborate mode of dress. Fay Wray, Louis Calhern, Vince Barnett, John Rutherford, Jay Eaton, Jesse Ralph, Paul Harvey, and Irene Ware are also importantly cast in "The Affair in Cellini," which was directed by Gregory La Cava.

"The Band Plays On" Robert Young is one of the few feature players whom Hollywood has failed to "type." In reality, his roles suggest that he is a junior composite of all three biggest male stars in pictures. He makes his latest appearance in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "The Band Plays On," having its initial showings to-day at the Queen's Theatre. With four and a half years of stage training behind him, despite his youth, and with three more years of screen experience added to that, he has played a variety of roles, from a soldier to a playboy, those who stand at the top of stardom. In "The Band Plays On" Young appears as one of the four boys who rise from the slums to become the greatest backfield team in football history. Others in the cast include Betty Furness, Stuart Erwin, Leo Carrillo, Preston Foster

and Russell Hardie. Russell Mack directed.

"Gambling"

"America's first actor," George M. Cohan, to-day on the screen of the King's Theatre in the Fox Film production of his successful stage play, "Gambling," comes of a real "Royal Family" of the theatre. As a child he appeared with his father and mother, Jerry and Helen Cohan, and with his sister, Josephine. The quartet was known first as "The Cohan Family" and later as "The Four Cohans." Cohan has written more than eighty plays, half of them musicals, and collaborated on a dozen more; more than a hundred vaudeville plays, and well over 200 popular songs. His "Over There" was the most popular war song ever written in America, if not in the world. He still writes songs. His latest, "My Little Girl," has been introduced in the picture version of "Gambling," and Cohan himself will sing it. Large and carefully selected cast supports the air in the Harold B. Franklin production of his play, headed by two featured leading women, Dorothy Burgess and Wynne Gibson. Other players are Harold, Robert Strange and Cora Witherspoon, Rowland V. Lee, wrote the script and directed.

"British Agent"

R. H. Bruce Lockhart, author of the sensational best-selling biographical novel, "British Agent" the film version of which will be seen at the Alhambra Theatre from to-morrow, was the youngest diplomat of any World Power during the World War. At the age of 27 he became British Consul-General at Moscow and in 1918 he was selected to head the British Mission to Soviet Russia. No foreigner, known and understood the turbulent events of those Bolshevik days better than he. It was a knowledge that cost him his career and almost cost him his life. After years of strenuous experience, including a term in prison, Lockhart returned to England, but he was tried after his denunciation by the Bolsheviks and sen-



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Mr. M. K. Lo, for the prosecution, stated that on March 1 the complainant became suspicious because according to the counterfoils there seemed to be more interest due on mortgage than was normal. He understood that defendant was a family man and that he intended in an honourable way to make restitution. All the facts were contained in the information which led to the warrant for his arrest.

Mr. P. H. Sin, who appeared in lieu of Mr. T. P. Kemble for the defence, said he was instructed to plead guilty. He pleaded for leniency and added that the defendant was not a criminal, for if he was he could have embezzled more money and could have absconded to Canton or elsewhere.

BUNCH OF SWINDLERS

"In August last year," said Mr. Sin, "the defendant met some so-called friends who induced him to invest some money in an import and export business, and, like a fool, and thinking that everyone was as honest as he was, he put in \$2,000 and was promised that the sum would be doubled within six months or less. Those people who induced him to put in money were nothing but a bunch of swindlers. Not wishing to lose his capital, the defendant put in more money and then lost it all. On March 4 this year, he went to the complainant and told him the circumstances stating he had withdrawn money from the firm."

The Magistrate remarked that the period over which the money was taken tended to show system and negated the plea of a momentary temptation. Defendant had actually gone to the trouble

Rubber Needs Over-Rated

RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY

DUTCH VIEW POSITION

London, March 19. The *Financial Times* Amsterdam correspondent states that there is considerable surprise in well-informed Dutch quarters that the Rubber Regulation Committee has not yet raised restriction to thirty or thirty-five per cent.

It is believed that the Committee has considerably overrated consumption and has overlooked the fact that the peak of the United States' consumption is no longer in March, but in January.

It is thought that American consumption for the first quarter will be 132,000 tons, as against an estimate of 140,000 tons, while consumption in the second quarter will be considerably lower.

It is further pointed out that German rubber imports for January were twenty per cent. below last year and Italian imports of British rubber will be reduced by twenty per cent. Hence, there is sufficient reason for the Committee to reconsider its position and exert further restriction.—*Reuter.*

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held on Monday, March 25, at 5.30, at the Helena May Institute. The Bishop of Hongkong will be in the chair, and the speakers will be Rev. G. W. Sheppard (General Secretary of China of the Bible Society), and Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall (Secretary for South China).

of procuring an unauthorised receipt book, and he used this for the purpose of obtaining money, which showed a certain amount of deliberation.

"In this case I have to consider the effect on the man himself and the effect on the public. I think I must protect the public and the business of this Colony against such acts," concluded the Magistrate.

BRITISH FINANCES SATISFACTORY

BUDGET ESTIMATES ALMOST REACHED

London, March 19. With two weeks to run before the end of the financial year, the latest Treasury returns show that ordinary revenue amounted at March 16 to \$681,368,535, which is an increase of \$18,032,881 over last week's figures. The estimate for the year is \$706,620,000, and the total revenue collected so far is therefore already within about \$25,000,000 of Budget expectations.

Income tax collected last week amounted to \$5,603,000, bringing the total to date to \$218,488,000, which is almost within one million pounds of the Budget Estimate for the whole year, of \$219,500,000, collected up to the corresponding date of last year.

Ordinary expenditure up to March 16 is \$375,930,952, compared with \$363,495,215 on March 17, 1934. The total estimate of ordinary expenditure for the current year, including supplementary grants, is \$715,769,000.—*British Wireless.*

ARIYOSHI TO GIVE ADVICE

JAPANESE CHANGING CHINA POLICY

Shanghai, Mar. 20. A previous report that Mr. Ariyoshi, Japanese Minister to China, was preparing to return to Tokyo for the purpose of submitting to the Foreign Office his plan for the orientation of Japan's general policy toward China, has been confirmed by an official report, which states that he will sail for Japan by the s.s. Nagasaki on March 26.—*Central News.*

SILVER CIRCULATION

Nanking, March 20. The Ministry of Finance has instructed the Central Mint in Shanghai to increase the production of silver coins by halting the casting of silver bars.—*United Press.*

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